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Yule Trees Given Away; U. S. Cruiser Launched; Casey to Govern Bengal

The World's Day—December 24, 1943

Boston: Many Holiday Trees Go to Public Dumps

Christmas trees were being handed out free in Greater Boston today, or lugged off to public dumps as bottom dropped out of prices and carloads went begging. [Page 2.]

Shortly after the New England War Labor Board announced today its refusal to consider its previous denial of a seven-cents-an-hour wage increase to bus operators of the Middlesex & Boston Street Railway Company, union representatives announced 250 drivers would go on strike tomorrow at 5 a. m.

Christmas Eve will be ushered in by the lighting of the municipal Christmas tree on Boston Common at 5 p. m., and the ringing of chimes from the churches. [Page 2.]

Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman of the Metropolitan District Commission today proposed for postwar construction a new, central office building for the M. D. C. on the Cambridge side of the Charles River, close to Cottage Farm Bridge. He figured it would cost far less than the present \$750,000 headquarters of the commission.

An emergency coal depot has been set up by the City of Boston at 996 Massachusetts Avenue where, during the next two days, coal will be distributed in 25-pound bag lots at a nominal price, to those who have run out. The depot will be open 24 hours a day.

In Europe: Casey Named Governor of Bengal

Richard G. Casey, former member of the Australian Government, who has been British Minister of State in the Middle East, has been appointed Governor of Bengal, India.

Captured American and British airmen will be tried as "war criminals," in reprisal for the Kharkov trials, the Berlin Radio warns again, stating that "in public trial the British and American pilots will be able to state what their orders were and in what manner they carried them out."

Joseph Goebbels, Propaganda Minister, told Germans in a Christmas Eve speech that "we still have our hopes for a victorious future," and that the coming test of arms in the West would be welcomed.

King George VI will deliver his sixth Christmas radiocast to the Empire on Dec. 25 at 3 p. m.—10 a. m., Eastern War Time.

Eduard Benes, President of the Czech Government in exile, has left Moscow after completing a 20-year Soviet-Czech mutual aid pact.

National: New Light Cruiser Launched for Navy

The Navy's new light cruiser—the Wilkes-Barre—was launched at the New York Shipbuilding Corporation yards in Camden, N. J.

Gov. Matthew M. Neely, has called the West Virginia Legislature into special session for Jan. 3 to amend laws so men and women in the service might vote next year, even to relaxing registration laws for the duration.

Composing room operations were halted at the Birmingham (Ala.) Post and Courier at the Age-Herald when printer crews failed to report for work Thursday.

A continuing increase of milk supplies in the New York metropolitan milk marketing area has removed any danger of shortage in that area, according to Dr. Charles J. Blanford, administrator.

Appointment of Helen McKinstry as President of Russell Sage College has been announced by the Board of Trustees. Miss McKinstry, a graduate of Boston Normal School of Gymnastics, holds degrees from New York University and Gymnastics Peoples College, Orléans, Denmark.

Washington: President Extends Subsidy Authority

President Roosevelt signed the resolution temporarily extending the Commodity Credit Corporation and its food subsidy authority until Feb. 17.

The President signed a bill wiping from the statute books a law enacted during the Civil War, providing for payment to an informer of one half the money recovered by the Government in frauds to which he drew attention.

The OPA has restored until Feb. 15 the original markup allowed wholesalers for less-than-carload sales of grapes to prevent large losses to wholesalers.

President Roosevelt signed legislation appropriating \$188,833,723 to meet current deficiencies in funds of miscellaneous agencies and extending for 30 days from Dec. 31 the 1943 farm labor program. The latter measure was enacted to extend the farm labor recruitment program while Congress settles a controversy over funds for next year.

Manufacture of more than 2,000,000 dozen infants' and children's garments in the first three months of 1944 was authorized by the War Production Board in order to relieve a major civilian supply shortage. The agency set aside large quantities of cotton textiles and woolen and worsted yarns for children's clothing exclusively. The emphasis will be on "low cost goods of durable quality."

Americas: Mexico's Supreme Court Resigns

All of Mexico's Federal Supreme Court justices have sent their resignations to President Avila Camacho, explaining they wished to give him the opportunity to make appointments before a law becomes effective giving the justices permanent tenure.

The War:

Latest developments on world battle fronts. Page 1 in Column 4.

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Christmas

All editions of THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR will be omitted on Dec. 25, a legal holiday.

Fuel Supplies Held Adequate For Cold Snap

Officials say there is enough for emergency but consumers must keep within quotas.

Fuel supplies in Greater Boston today were such that no home should be without adequate heat over the Christmas holiday, even with the cold snap continuing.

Of course, householders should conserve fuel supplies where possible. There's no coal, oil, or kerosene to waste. Most fuel companies will not deliver tomorrow or Sunday. But, several emergency stations have been set up in various parts of the City, and will be open through the two-day holiday, where small bags of coal may be obtained to tide anyone over until deliveries can be made.

"There is coal in Boston, and it is just a case of getting it delivered," said Frank H. Larkin, of the Retail Fuel Institute. "At present, we are experiencing more trouble with delivery of coal because of manpower and equipment shortages rather than supply," he added.

Deliveries Short
In many cases, it will be necessary to substitute bituminous coal since anthracite deliveries have been short, because of emergency allotments directed from Washington.

As far as oil and kerosene supplies in this area are concerned, the OPA has warned that "although transportation facilities have improved, there is no assurance that there will be any increase in the amount of heating oil available for the balance of the winter."

Many householders seem to have overlooked the necessity for conserving heat this year, said a Regional OPA official. Last year, with the dimout in effect, shades were drawn, and in addition many people shut off one or two rooms in the house to save fuel. So far, statistics show that this season has been colder to date than last year. Rationing of fuel oil is just as strict, the OPA pointed out.

"Unless people use every possible means of conserving their family supply, as they did last year, it is not unlikely that a critical situation may be invited," the OPA declared.

Consumers Warned
With the coldest weather of the winter still ahead, the OPA said that reports from oil distributors and local rationing boards indicated that many home owners had used more than half of their winter fuel rations when they should have used no more than 80 per cent. Rations must be made to last over the rest of the winter, the OPA emphasized.

It must be recognized that the holiday tomorrow, and the one due a week from tomorrow, will slow up home deliveries by just that much time. Householders should bear this in mind while trying to keep warm during the continued cold wave.

But, as far as general fuel supplies in Boston were concerned, "anyone can get some if they go at it right," according to W. A. Clarke, of the New England Coal Dealers Association. He added that it may be necessary in some cases to pick up emergency supplies at the fuel yards, as the manpower shortage has hit deliveries a hard blow.

In Maine, today, State Fuel Director Frank E. Southard said that decreasing supplies of hard coal need not cause any hardships, "because there is enough soft coal to keep households comfortable."

President Announces Three-Front War With Eisenhower Leading U.S.-British; 1,000 Tons of RAF Bombs Hit Berlin

Russians storm outer defenses of Vitebsk; Eighth Army battles to take Ortona.

By the War Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

From Associated Press and other direct news dispatches

Another great mass raid by the RAF early today brought new devastation to Berlin. It was the seventh heavy assault on the German Capital in five weeks.

It is doubtful whether more than a fourth of the sprawling Prussian city has escaped destruction or serious damage. In any case, its usefulness as a military and communications center must be almost nil.

London dispatches estimate more than 1,000 long tons of bombs were dropped in this morning's assault. Large fires were left burning and returning pilots reported smoke rising to great heights.

The loss of 17 planes was the cheapest price the RAF has yet had to pay for an operation of this magnitude. The ineffectiveness of the German defenses may mean that the Luftwaffe's strength is dwindling rapidly or else that Berlin already has been so badly battered the Nazis no longer regard it as worthy of major defensive efforts.

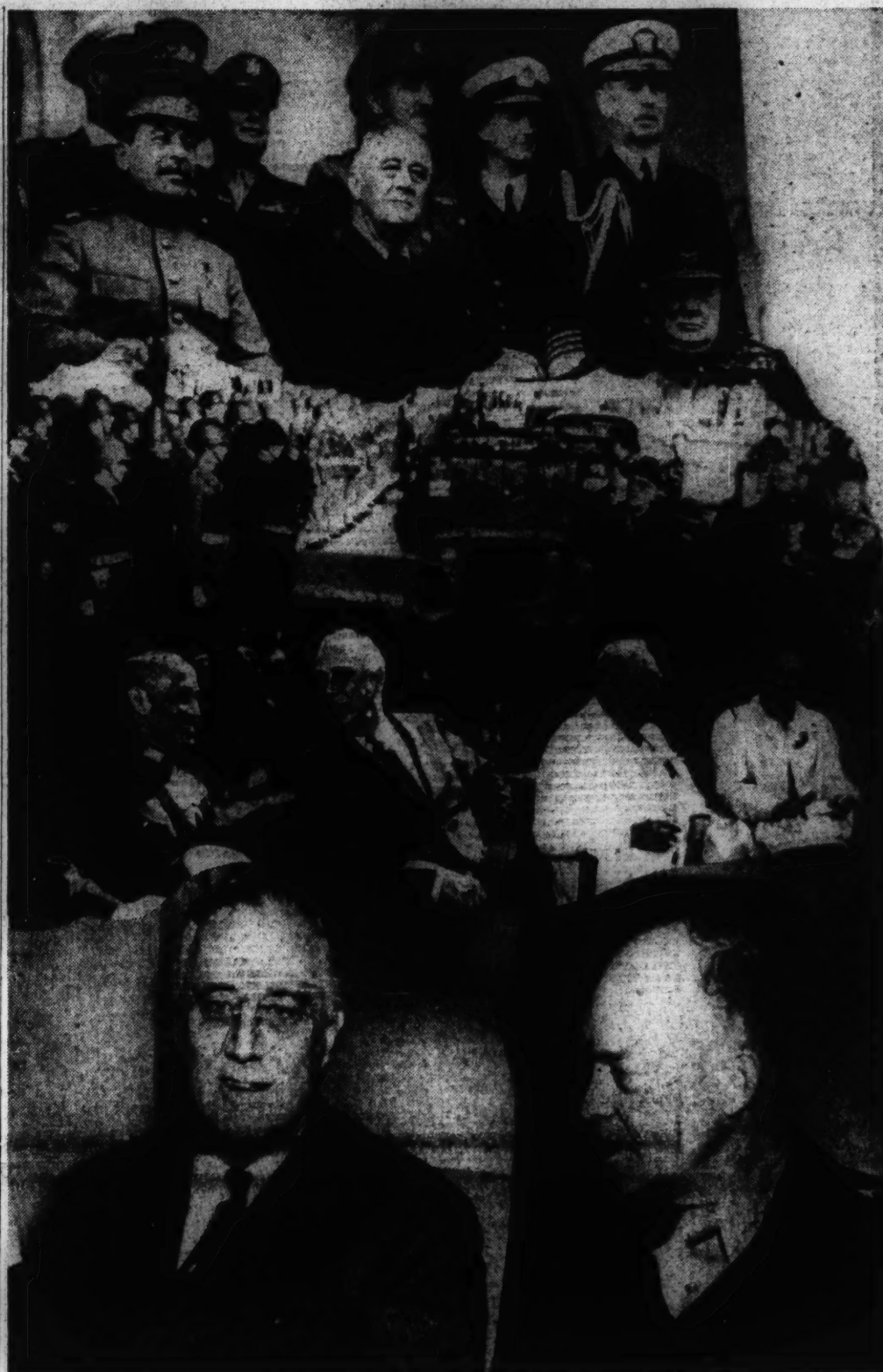
The first-mentioned possibility is the more probable. The great aerial offensive of the past 10 days has taken an exceptionally heavy toll of German fighters.

Shortly after the Berlin raiders returned home, a great fleet of American Flying Fortresses and Liberators, guarded by swarms of fighters, pounded the Pas-de-Calais area of the French coast. London hinted the operation may have been the Allies' heaviest daylight assault of the war. The Pas-de-Calais coast is the suspected location of "rocket guns" with which the Germans have threatened to bombard London.

Meanwhile, Russian troops have stormed the outer defenses of Vitebsk and the Germans now concede new penetrations of their lines north and southeast of the rail center. Moscow dispatches say the mighty German tank-led counterattacks in the Kiev bulge and near Zhitobin still have failed to gain ground in spite of "enemy superiority."

Important as the Russian drives in the Vitebsk sector may be, it is becoming increasingly apparent they are merely preliminary to an all-out Russian offensive along the entire 1,500-mile Eastern Front, which in all probability, will be co-ordinated with

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Associated Press from United States Army Air Force; Associated Press from United States Army

Roosevelt and Eisenhower on Trip

The President and the new Anglo-American Commander in Chief shown in plane en route to Sicily during the former's recent visit to Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. Figures in background show some of the persons and events about which the President talked in his Christmas Day message to the nation and persons in the armed services.

Eisenhower Choice 'Open Secret'; Kharkov Rebuilds on Ruin Left by Nazis

The Week at War

By Joseph C. Harsch

The Christian Science Monitor

The fact that the Anglo-American High Command had been settled and that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had been selected for the post by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill on the way back from Tehran, Iran, has been an open secret in Washington and London.

General Eisenhower now will transfer his headquarters and staff to London to command the cross-Channel invasion.

The choice of an American for the Channel operation was dictated by the proportion of the burden to be borne there by American forces. The Mediterranean is to become largely a British undertaking. British troops have from the beginning carried most of the load and now provide nearly three fourths of the troops operating in Italy.

American forces entered that area originally on the assumption that the French in Africa would resist Americans less tenaciously than they would resist the British. French Africa now being in the war as an ally, that factor no longer governs. America's land weight in Europe therefore shifts back to England as a base and an American commander becomes logical for that area.

Marshall Needed in U. S.

The choice originally was Gen. George C. Marshall, now Chief of Staff. The change to General Eisenhower resulted from the extreme importance of General Marshall to the smooth running of the High Command in Washington. He has emerged in effect, if not in title, as the chief of the American high military command. To have assigned him to the Channel operation would have restricted his

Clark's Yule Message

By the Associated Press

With the Fifth Army in Italy, Dec. 24

Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark told his army in a Christmas message that the job of closing in on the enemy would go on "with such acceleration and crushing force that once victory is achieved there will be no more Christmases spent in overseas combat."

activities. More than that, it would have broken up the extremely satisfactory and successful working team in Washington.

The team consists of General Marshall, Admiral William D. Leahy, military adviser to the President; Admiral Ernest J. King, Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet, and General Henry H. Arnold, Chief of the United States Army Air Forces.

Among these men General Marshall has become the central figure, and the cohesive element in the group. One of the major reasons he was kept in Washington was because these colleagues of his consistently have urged on the President their own sense of the importance of keeping him where he is.

Thus the American High Command is to remain intact at least through the end of the European phase of the war. This applies to Admiral King as well, who was also rumored to be slated for a new command.

But with the settling upon General Eisenhower for the invasion command comes new indications of the magnitude of his problem. The time cannot be very far in the distance. To take the fullest advantage of the Russian winter offensive it must come in the very

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Roosevelt discloses big events to come in Yule radiocast to nation and men in service.

By Roscoe Drummond

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—A three-front land offensive to be launched simultaneously against Germany from Russia, from Italy and from Britain across the Channel, with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in supreme command of the Anglo-American invasion army, was disclosed by President Roosevelt in his Christmas Day radiocast to the nation and to the armed forces in every theater of the globe at Hyde Park, N. Y., this afternoon.

The Cairo and Teheran, Iran, conferences with Marshal Joseph Stalin, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Prime Minister Winston Churchill brought, the President announced, agreement "on every point concerned with the launching of a gigantic attack upon Germany."

Delivering to the American people at home and to the American soldiers abroad a personal accounting of the momentous Allied decisions—military and political—earlier this month, Mr. Roosevelt revealed the broad pattern of the climactic operations now in the making.

Campaign High Lights

He evidently felt it would be no help to the enemy to make known:

That the Russian Army will continue its stern offensives on Germany's Eastern Front.

That the Allied armies in Italy and Africa will bring relentless pressure on Germany from the south.

And that the encirclement will be complete as great American and British forces attack from other points of the compass.

The President explained that General Eisenhower was selected to lead the combined attack from these other points, because "his performances in Africa, Sicily and Italy have been brilliant" and because "he knows by practical and successful experience the way to co-ordinate air, sea, and land power."

Lieut. Gen. Carl D. Spaatz will command the entire American strategic bombing force operating against Germany.

Other Appointments

A British officer, to be announced by Prime Minister Churchill, will succeed General Eisenhower in the Mediterranean and both the new commanders will have American and British subordinate commanders.

Indicating the gathering striking force now available in Britain and the powerful reserves which will be ready to follow up the coming cross-Channel invasion, as well as other operations, Mr. Roosevelt said there are now 3,800,000 men in the American armed forces serving overseas and that by July this number will rise to over 5,000,000.

The President frankly warned that the biggest and costliest battles are still to be fought, and he said of the planned invasion, though its success was certain, its cost would be high and the time might be long.

On the political side of the Cairo and Teheran conferences, Mr. Roosevelt reported complete unity of purpose among the four major Allies.

Of his meeting with Mr. Stalin he remarked significantly that "we talked with complete frankness on every conceivable subject connected with winning the war and the establishment of a durable peace."

He was certain there would be no insoluble differences among Russia, Britain and the United States.

The President devoted a large

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Two Rail Chiefs Bar Strike; Other Groups Still Conferring

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Chiefs of the Brotherhoods of Railroad Trainmen and the Locomotive Engineers announced at the White House today they were calling off the strike set for Dec. 30 as far as their two unions were concerned.

They said they were acting in view of President Roosevelt's proposal to arbitrate the whole wage dispute, involving both operating and nonoperating brotherhoods.

A. F. Whitney, President of the Trainmen, and Alvanley Johnston, head of the Locomotive Engineers, made the announcement to newsmen after conferring with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes and Economic Stabilization Chief Fred M. Vinson. Mr. Whitney said action to

withdraw their strike call, to be taken this afternoon and tomorrow morning, was decided on despite the fact that the three other operating unions had declined to go along with the President's arbitration proposal.

The unions which have refused arbitration are the Firemen and Enginemen, the Conductors, and Switchmen.

Asked whether the two unions agreeing to arbitrate could keep the railroads running, Mr. Whitney replied:

"Now you are getting into complicated matters." Machinery for Government seizure of the roads was being prepared as Mr. Whitney and Mr. Johnston said action to

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Allied Soldiers Keep Pen Link With Home



Associated Press

In a Tent Somewhere in Italy

Their tent is somewhere in Italy, but their thoughts are far away across the Atlantic in a home somewhere in America. A cherished moment of solitude from the din of battle at the front is the time when the call of home and dear ones comes clearest.

Glow of Noel pervades Allies at Front: Page 7.

Glut in Christmas Trees Sends Thousands to Dump

Sad and forlorn as a Christmas tree on a public dump a week after Christmas may be, sadder still is the sight of thousands of them being dumped the day before.

Sadder, too, and wiser, are many Greater Bostonians who—earlier in the season—had paid "all out-of-doors" for their trees, only to learn within the last few days that prices had dropped clean out of sight. From a 25-cent price for one's choice yesterday, all price tags had been removed today and people in many sections were lugging the trees off for the taking.

Tree speculators, too, probably are sadder and wiser. "This should teach some of them a lesson," said William Ingham of the Associated Fruit and Produce Company, today.

Twenty carloads were reported on tracks by the Boston & Maine Railroad. "These will be dumped on Monday," said one of the officials today. For, with stores, parking lots, and gasoline stations loaded beyond capacity, there

will be no call for these trees today.

Unwanted, the unsold surplus trees are a serious problem. The Boston Park Department usually picks up small surpluses, using the branches to bank gardens and flower beds for the winter. This year, it is figured that the big tree on the Common—made up of from 800 to 900 smaller trees—will furnish ample protection.

The Public Works Department already had received calls from merchants who sought to dispose of their unsold stocks on the City dumps. However, the trees constitute a serious fire hazard when they dry out, and unless burned now there may be danger in too many of these piling up on the dumps.

There was only one bright spot in the whole Christmas tree picture today. Many needy homes which otherwise would have gone without were blessed with a tree which cost the householder nothing but the lugging home.

Events Around Greater Boston

Sunday
 Andre Morize will speak on "France: Where and Whither?" in Jordan Hall at 10:30 p. m.
 Cleve Wood, soprano, and Ariel Hall, mezzo-soprano, will give a recital in Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum at 3 p. m. Free to the public.
 Mrs. Bayard will speak on "The Christmas Exhibition" at the Museum of Fine Arts at 4 p. m. Free to the public.
 Louis J. Crozier will be the speaker at the Charles Street Forum, Charles Street Meeting House, corner of Mt. Vernon Street at 4 p. m. His topic will be "Life with the Weir and Ward."
 A Christmas Candelight Musical will be presented in the First Congregational Church, Hyde Park, at 7 p. m. by Helen Bedford, harp, Walter Smith, trumpet, Charles Eastman, piano, Claude Samuels, organ, and Marion Herlick Hayes, mezzo-soprano. Open to the public.
 Albert Edward Wigan will speak on "Problems of the Middle-Aged" in John Hancock Hall at 8 p. m. Free to the public.
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Juniors' evening dresses	Juniors' and misses' suits

Notice to Our Customers

Because of present-day conditions, the number and variety of items in our Annual Sale are much more limited than in other years. We feel in fairness we should point out, for example, that our linen department and our yard goods department, while well stocked with merchandise at exceptionally sound values, will have little, if any, goods for clearance. The same condition will prevail in several of our smaller departments in greater or less degree.

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Lighted Tree To Open Hub Ceremonies

Christmas Eve in Boston gets off to an official start when, at five o'clock this afternoon, the great Municipal Christmas Tree on the Common is lighted. Ceremonies accompanying the lighting will include a Christmas Message to the community by Mayor Tobin, and the singing of carols by a chorus and the assembled public.

Despite the war and the absence of many a loved one, the city will celebrate this Christmas with joy and rejoicing, born of the deep sense of a cherished freedom protected from aggression. Church bells will ring out all evening from 8 o'clock when Christmas carols and hymns will be played on the chimes of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, for 30 minutes. At the same hour, the chimes of the Arlington Street Unitarian and Park Street Congregational churches will play. Other churches will follow on a schedule outlined by the city, up to 8 o'clock.

Edward Rowe Snow, who for a number of years has delivered Christmas packages by plane to remote spots along the New England coast, will resume his rounds today, in spite of an ankle injury which sent him home from the Isles of Shoals ahead of schedule yesterday.

At 1 o'clock he took off today for the Coast Guard stations along Cape Cod and for a visit to Minot's Light where he will drop packages.

In accordance with annual custom, trumpeters played from the balcony of the Old State House at noon today, and the post office employees at the same hour heard Christmas carols in the lobby of the Federal Building. Also at noon, a carol-sing was held in City Hall Plaza, with a Brass Quartet from the 241st Coast Artillery Band.

The Frog Pond will be illuminated all evening.

Carol festivals, evensong services, and communion services will be held in various churches throughout the city. At 8 o'clock the girl choristers at King's Chapel will sing a program of flute-accompanied carols on the steps of the Chapel, and later at 10:30 the famous old candle-light service will be held.

Beacon Hill is expected to be as beautifully lighted with candles tonight as ever it was in peacetime, now that dimout regulations permit a resumption of the old custom. Bell ringers and carolers will fill the air of the Hill with melody until midnight and after, while the residents will hold open house.

At 9 o'clock players from the Tributary Theater will dramatize on the stage which has been erected at the Tree on the Common the story of Dickens' "Christmas Carol," of which this year is the 100th anniversary.

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At Bethlehem's Hingham yard on Tuesday, two more DE's will go down the ways, the USS Barr and USS Luke, also previously announced.

Also at Hingham, a DE going into the water on Wednesday, will honor Lieut. James Riley of Hot Springs, Ark., shot down in the Battle of Midway while operating from the Carrier Enterprise. He had won the Navy Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross and the Purple Heart, and was entitled to the Presidential Unit Citation given the Enterprise.

At Hingham on Thursday, a DE will be named in honor of Marine Private Robert Ignatius Paine of Cambridge, who was killed on Tulagi, where he won the Silver Star and Purple Heart, and was entitled to the citation awarded the First Marine Division.

At Boston Navy Yard on Thursday a DE will be christened HMS INGLIS, honoring a captain in the British Navy, for whom the ship was built under the mutual-aid program of the United Nations.

Holiday From Draft

Selective Service calls at all Massachusetts induction centers are being suspended over the Christmas and New Year week ends. It was announced by Col. Chester A. Furbush, executive assistant to the State S. S. Director.

No selectees are to report for induction today, Saturday or Sunday, he said; also, no men have been ordered to report for military duty following post-induction furloughs on these three days.

Selectees will not be called to induction centers Dec. 31, Jan. 1 and 2, and orders to report following induction furloughs will be suspended on these days.

Three times Captain Gainard's ships were torpedoed under him in World War I. In 1937 he was central figure in a labor controversy when his crew refused to handle a cargo at Montevideo. Holding this as mutiny, the Captain had 14 members of the crew arrested later in the United States. Since his first exploit with the City of Flint in this war, Captain Gainard had commanded a troop ship in the South Pacific.

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It's Christmas for the Horses, Too



M. S. P. C. A. Dispenses 'Goodies' at Boston Tree
 Miss Margaret Kearns, secretary to the President of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, is shown helping distribute specially prepared feed from the Christmas tree in Dock Square which the Society annually sets up for work-horses of the city.

Rhode Island Plans Steps For Easing Absentee Voting

The Rhode Island Letter

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 24—Steps are being discussed in administration circles in Rhode Island to revise the State laws on absentee voting to facilitate voting by men and women now serving abroad in the armed services.

Although Gov. J. Howard McGrath has made no statement recently on the subject, the prospect is seen that he will renew the suggestion he made last year for a simplification of the absentee voting procedure.

At the last session of the Legislature, Governor McGrath proposed that a constitutional convention be summoned to revise the constitution and simplify the voting rules. Legislation to this end was drawn up, but it was pigeon-holed in a Senate committee.

The issue has been raised again now that Congress has shown a disposition to leave the entire question of the soldier vote up to the individual States, rather than to provide a Federal system for collecting ballots from those in the service.

The rules on absentee voting were simplified last year by the Legislature in an effort to give the servicemen and women an opportunity to vote, but the changes, most officials at the capitol here agreed, did not go far enough.

The law stipulates that individuals in Rhode Island must be registered on the registry books of their communities by June 30 if they are to be eligible to vote in the election the following November. Owners of real estate property are required to register only once. Thereafter their names are kept on the registry books, automatically year after year. But others, who are not property owners, are required to register by June 30 in each election year.

The change approved by the Legislature last year provided that servicemen might register by mail. The potential voter is required first to write to the Secretary of State requesting an application for registration. This application must be properly filled out and returned by mail to reach the Secretary of State before the June 30 deadline.

Another difficulty arises at this point. The absentee ballots must be filled out on election day in the presence of two witnesses or a commissioned officer authorized to take a bath. Then the ballot must be returned to the State within 13 days.

The Governor's proposed change in the constitution would have provided that servicemen, once registered on the books as voters, would continue to be registered as long as they were in the service. This would eliminate the need for them to re-register by mail every two years.

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Boston Group Plans Study Of Alcoholism's Social Cost

Study of the social cost of alcoholism as found in family disruption, neglect of children, degradation and general human misery will be undertaken by the new Commission on Alcoholism of the Boston Council of Social Agencies.

In making this announcement Theodore Lothrop, chairman of the alcoholism committee, said its purpose was to help the State Commission on Drunkenness in Massachusetts in preparing possible recommendations for legislation.

Mr. Lothrop is General Secretary of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and one of the veteran social workers of the State.

No such investigation of the extent planned has ever before been made in Boston, he noted. Its results, he added, may be useful to the State Commission in its emphasis on preventive and remedial measures.

Economic Side Known

"Heretofore the emphasis in studies of alcoholism has generally dealt with its economic cost, such as that of handling people repeatedly by the police, the courts, penal institutions and the hospitals, though the hospitals have not as yet been able to do much in the way of remedial work," Mr. Lothrop said.

"Now there is in addition a great social waste and expense. We are collaborating with the State Commission by furnishing the social history of a selected group of individuals whose police and court records are already known to the Commission. We shall make a study not only of the history of these individuals but also of their families."

"We are asking various social agencies to make the case studies. Practically all the cases we shall give attention to are already known to the social agencies which have worked and worked with these families and their alcohol problem without a great deal of success."

"In the experience of our own Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, for instance, out of 6,428 families with 16,232 children last year, intemperance proved a major factor in 26.9 per cent of the families. More than one out of every four had serious intemperance as one of its serious conditions."

"We are of course only one social agency. There are numerous others dealing with families and children, and many of the cases involving alcoholism we handle may be known to other agencies through their specialized services."

Aid to State Work
 "We know that alcoholism is placing a great burden on the social agencies and a tremendous and untold waste on the entire community."

"The Committee on Alcoholism of the Boston Council of Social Agencies hopes to be of help to the State Commission on Drunkenness by showing what the true picture is. Everybody knows it more or less in an intangible way. Our study will only confirm what all more or less recognize."

"The trend in the handling of the alcohol problem generally appears to be getting away from the penological approach, in which the emphasis is strongly or exclusively

placed on punishment. More attention is being given to the field of medical and perhaps mental approach.

"From the language of the law setting it up, the State Commission seems due to turn more to the preventive and remedial treatment of the individual."

"We've got the cases, and incidentally we may bring out the lack of proper facilities for treatment of the individual and show what can be done toward prevention in the first place."

The Boston alcoholism committee is among the first in the country to be formed by a Council of Social Agencies. It was initiated last summer. Its membership includes a number of outstanding people in fields touched by alcoholism.

White Christmas Is Unlikely But Cold Day Forecast
 All dreams of a white Christmas faded today when G. Harold Noyes, Boston's weatherman, who is a senior meteorologist in the Weather Bureau, said there were no storms in sight for tomorrow.

The weather tomorrow will be quite like today, he said, "a cold day, probably clear." The temperature, he forecast, may not hit today's official low at 8:30 a. m., when it was zero, equaling an all-time record for Dec. 24 in Boston. Lower reports were received from the suburbs.

The previous Dec. 24 zero was reached in 1892. In 1900, the date showed 59 as the warmest on record.

Coldest point in New England, as reported to the local Bureau, was 35 degrees below zero in Colebrook, N. H. Numerous other points were well below zero throughout New England. West Lebanon, N. H., dropped to 21 below; Bangor, Maine, and Burlington, Vt., reported 18 below.

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Messages of Cheer Sent by Navy Heads

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas will be celebrated in a world of peace again "if not next year, then a year later," Admiral Ernest J. King told the men of the Fleet today.

At the same time, Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, declared the best holiday wish for men and women in service "is the hope that Christmas day of 1943 will be the last you spend far from family and friends."

Their statements were contained in Christmas Day messages to the armed forces—many of whom already have started celebrating Christmas across the international dateline in the Pacific where it now is Dec. 25.

"The coming year is crucial," declared Mr. Knox in his message sent to all naval personnel. "The battles of 1944 will help decide how long we must struggle before there is again peace on earth."

King Sees Victory
Admiral King, Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet, said:

"Our enemies are being defeated. The way we must travel is yet long, but as we look forward to the new year, we can be sustained with growing confidence that victory over our enemies is certain."

Lieut. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, retiring Commandant of the Marine Corps, said that while "severe challenges lie ahead," this Christmas "is far brighter in hope and richer in promise for our countrymen at home than was Christmas a year ago."

Christmas messages also were sent to the men on the fighting fronts by Vice-Admiral Russell R. Waesche, Commander of the

Coast Guard, who told of "victory after victory on all fronts," by Chaplain Robert D. Workman, Director of Naval Chaplains, and by the heads of the women's reserves, Capt. Mildred H. McAfee, Waves, Lieut. Commander Dorothy C. Stratton, Spars, and Lieut. Col. Ruth Streeter, Marines.

Texts of Messages
The texts of the messages by Mr. Knox and Admiral King:

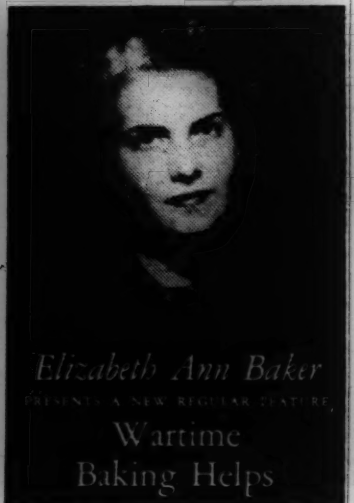
Knox: All the things for which we fight are symbolized in this Christmas season. To all those at sea, on foreign shores, and in continental shore bases, I send sincere greetings. My pride in your victories and the courage you show in battle plus your devotion to duty is shared by the 130,000,000 Americans whose thoughts are with you and whose works back you in battle.

The coming year is crucial. The battles of 1944 will help decide how long we must struggle before there is once again peace on earth. The best holiday wish for you and your families is the hope that Christmas Day of 1943 will be the last you spend far from family and friends. May the New Year lead us to victory.

King: I wish all hands, the men and women of the Navy, the Army, the Marine Corps and Coast Guard, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I will not rehearse the events of the past year, except to say that you have measured up to all expectations. Your performance of duty has been effective and courageous in all parts of the world.

Our enemies are being defeated. The way we must travel is yet long, but as we look forward to the new year, we can be sustained with growing confidence that victory over our enemies is certain. If not next year, then a year later, Christmas may once again be celebrated in a world of peace.



At Christmas time we always think of old friends... and I was thinking just the other day about an old friend of yours and mine—Rumford Baking Powder. Rumford made the first baking powder ever made, and for more than eighty years the spotless little New England town of Rumford, Rhode Island, has gone on busily and happily making baking powder—over 500,000,000 pounds of it! Think how many delicious cakes, plump golden muffins, feather-light biscuits, crisp toothsome cookies, owe the best of themselves to that little town!

If you'd like to know more about what makes your Rumford Baking Powder so good, I'll send you the Rumford Story, a booklet entitled "Eighty Years of Baking Powder History".

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1 c. sifted cake flour
1 1/2 tsp. Rumford Baking Powder
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1 c. sugar
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1/2 c. hot milk

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Draft-WMC Split; Hershey Serves Both

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—Carrying out a congressional mandate, President Roosevelt has separated Selective Service from the War Manpower Commission, but has provided a link between them by making Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey a member of the War Manpower Commission.

Members of Congress have often criticized Mr. Roosevelt for his practice of having two Government agencies handle closely related subjects, but in this instance it was Congress that undid a unification brought about by Mr. Roosevelt some months ago.

Political animosity against War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt in Congress was one reason for the action.

Wide Representation
The order makes General Hershey a member of the War Manpower Commission, which does

over-all manpower planning for the nation's military and industrial forces. The Commission is made up of representatives of the War, Navy, Agriculture, and Labor Departments, the Federal Security Agency, War Production Board, Civil Service Commission, National Housing Agency, Office of Defense Transportation, and War Shipping Administration.

The new executive order also adds a representative of the Maritime Commission to the War Manpower Commission.

Mr. McNutt described the President's solution as "very satisfactory."

Actually, nondeferred job listing has already served its major purpose—getting men to transfer to essential industry.

Global Yule Candle



New York Boys' Club Pays Tribute to Servicemen
Gerald Gavin (right, kneeling) and Joseph Lange (also at right), younger members of the Madison Square Boys' Club, are showing the Club's Global Yule Log to club members now in the armed forces. Frank Grippo (left), United States Army; John Fitzapelli (kneeling), United States Navy; and John Curran, United States Army, who have just returned from overseas.

New York City Boys' Club Pays Tribute to Soldiers

Special to The Christian Science Monitor
NEW YORK, Dec. 24—The annual Yule Log ceremonies at Madison Square Boys' Club on Christmas Eve this year will glow with a special tribute to the 427 members of the club who are now in many parts of the world serving with the armed forces.

Each one of the 427 has been sent a candle, the base of which was first removed in order that the club might have a large composite candle to light in honor of the boys overseas at the same time when it is hoped the absent members will be lighting their individual candles.

The Global Yule Log has become a tradition at the clubhouse since the first one was lighted 23 years ago by Albert B. Hines, club director. Each year on Christmas Eve, a Yule Log is pulled into the lobby on a sled and placed in the fireplace. The youngest boy lights a candle and with it the Yule log. He then gives the candle to the oldest member present, who then tells what the club has meant to him. The candle is passed from one to another, symbolizing the effort of each member to keep alive the purpose of the club in promoting better boyhood.

Carol singers, dressed in capes and beavers, go from the club through the neighborhood with songs of cheer for hospital patients and men stopping at the Municipal Lodging House. Toys and candy will be given the 2,000 boy members.

WPB Fixes Sliding Scale For Newspaper Allotments

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Official text of the War Production Board order under which newspapers and magazines are to be slimmer or smaller next year were released yesterday, confirming preliminary details announced Dec. 20.

The 2,500-word order fixes a sliding scale for reductions in quota allotments of newspaper paper for all publishers in the first quarter of 1944.

Quotas are figured from the basis of the tonnage required to print the net paid circulation of each paper in the first quarter of 1941, plus 3 per cent allowance for mechanical spoilage.

The order also specifies that each paper may make adjustments for certain increases in net circulation in 1942—1943—over 1941. Circulation increases in 1942 have been the basis for the majority of appeals for extra newspaper allotments, and the new amendment will eliminate what was becoming a serious administrative problem, the WPB said.

In figuring 1944 first quarter tonnage quotas, the basic 1941 tonnage is first figured. No reduction in the first 25 tons used is required. The tonnage between 26 and 125 tons must be reduced four per cent; between 126 and 250 tons, eight per cent; between 251 and 500 tons, 12 per cent; between 501 and 1,000 tons, 20 per cent; and all tonnages over 1,000 tons, 24 per cent.

The WPB estimates that the restrictions will reduce first quarter 1944 consumption of newspaper to 23.6 per cent less than 1941 use.

The provision which allows a publisher to carry quota paper unused in one quarter over into the next quarter for use in that period was continued in the official text.

During the week preceding the announcement of the official order, the Printing and Publishing Division announced that Government-owned stockpiles of newspaper would be built up, beginning in January, from Canadian shipments in excess of quota commitments.

The Canadian production authorities had guaranteed 182,000 tons of newspaper monthly to the U. S. Surveys last week indicated that pulpwood production had bettered expectations, and will permit delivery of at least 200,000 tons monthly in the first six months of 1944.

President Tells Plans For Victory

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part of his address to expounding the postwar security system which the American Government is building and determined to support. It will not be a truce, not an armistice, he declared, but "peace that is as strongly enforced and as durable as mortal man can make it."

"If we are willing to fight for peace now, is it not good logic that we should use force if necessary, in the future, to keep the peace?" Mr. Roosevelt asked, and his own answer was a strong yes.

He said he would report to still more detail on the conferences in his message to Congress next month and he added, a bit wryly, that he would have plenty to say on domestic affairs.

Pope Makes Plea In Yule Message For a Just Peace

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Pope Pius in a Christmas message to the world today prayed that "this will be the last Christmas of war" and appealed to mankind to begin the planning of the world's reconstruction and a peace of "justice and honesty."

Speaking from the Vatican, incessantly near the war and where in a sense he was a prisoner, the Pope appealed for a peace not "imposed at the point of the sword."

"A future peace should not, certainly, leave out the possibility of sanctions," he added. "But do give back to the world a peace based on justice, not on reprisals, on a world community based on present world suffering."

The Pope spoke in Italian by radio.

"Naturally," the Pope went on, "the conclusion of peace will not mean that measures should not be taken to prevent any strong force from committing aggression upon humanity again."

Saying that all who followed Jesus were seduced by the catastrophe of war, he added that the faithful were able to view it "with the hopes offered to you by your faith."

He recalled that he alone could not bring the war to an end but declared:

"There are two things we will certainly do: First, we shall do whatever is in our power to help and decrease the sufferings of all the warriors, of the prisoners of war, of the internees."

"Second, we must all remember the power of our faith."

"The road of humanity in this present confusion has been the road without God—against God. But those who erred still remain our brothers. No one has the right to feel sinless. We must all co-operate in the salvation of our brothers. To work dearest brothers; do not stand idle. Let us start the reconstruction of the world."

President and Wife Distribute Gifts

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President and Mrs. Roosevelt held a Christmas reception for the White House office staff yesterday and presented each employee with a combined paper weight and magnifying glass.

A four-inch square glass, the gift was inscribed "Christmas—1943" at the top and in one corner the notation "From F. D. R."

In line with Mr. Roosevelt's personal campaign to save paper, the gifts were in their original carton. The only concession to Christmas wrapping was a red ribbon, under which was slipped the Christmas greeting card of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

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Queensland's Leading Departmental Store
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OPA Pops New Ruling: Popcorn to Sell Higher

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Popcorn—if you buy it before it's popped—is going to cost about five cents more a pound at retail.

An Office of Price Administration order, effective immediately, covers sales of unshelled popcorn on the farm through sales of processed shelled popcorn.

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Red Cross Delivers Gifts To Americans Held by Foe

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—American prisoners of war in Europe and Asia will not be forgotten this Christmas, thanks to the Red Cross.

In Europe, American prisoners of war and civilian internees will receive 10,000 special Christmas packages containing the makings of a "holiday feast": including chicken, cheese, fruit cake, candy, jam, and nuts. Christmas candles and two handkerchiefs also are included.

Young folks, members of the Junior Red Cross, have added their remembrance in the form of 10,000 "moral" gifts—packages containing ocarinas and puzzles.

On the other side of the world, Dr. Fritz Paravicini, International Red Cross delegate in Japan, is making every effort to dispatch in time for Christmas one food parcel for each United Nations military prisoner of war and civilian internee detained in Japan proper and in Korea, Taiwan, and Manchuria. Food parcels and other relief supplies transhipped from the exchange ship Gripsholm already have begun reaching American prisoners in the Philippines.

American servicemen in overseas hospitals and in the front lines will receive 75,000 gift boxes of candy and also writing kits through the American Red Cross.

About 1,100 special Christmas kits have been sent out to provide decorations for hospital rooms,

camp recreation centers, and Red Cross clubs.

Each kit, packed to serve 500 men, includes, in addition to decorations, photograph records of carols, printed sheets of Christmas carols, and Christmas stories and poems all gifts of American manufacturers.

Red Cross plans for world-wide Christmas celebrations were begun last September.

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Radio Timetable
(Feature Programs Appear in Blackface)

**Ann Sothorn
And 'Maisie'
At Loer's**

As in all the films of the M-G-M Maisie series, Ann Sothern is the chief object of interest in "Swing Shift Maisie," at the State and Orpheum. She makes a particularly forthright, lovable person of the latest manifestation of Maisie, who goes into war production work when the vaudeville act she is traveling with breaks up.

War is the soft heart is completely taken over by Red, a girl who is down on her luck. For a time it looks as if Iris would even take over Maisie's beau, as she did everything else that wasn't well staked down by its rightful owner, but all turns out as it should, with Iris getting her man, a sort of substitute Clark Gable, as acted by James Craig.

Miss Sothern makes Maisie steadily amusing, even when she is in the doldrums, and this is something to place as a large credit mark beside the actress's name.

Richard Dix, town marshal of many Westerns, shines again in the other feature on the bill. "The Kansan," a Sherman United Artists release.

This picture is expensively produced, has an exceptional cast, and should have a large circulation, both in the first runs, and subsequently in double bills.

Everything to be seen in a Western is in this one, from the marshal who is the best shot in the territory to the big fight in the saloon, chases over the hills in carriages and on horseback, a cattle stampede, fights in the streets and in ambush, and pictures of the most beautiful country along the west Texas hills. The piece is the town banker, who expects the marshal to help him

The town gambler (played with a romantic air by Victory Jory) and the marshal are rivals for the attention of Eleanor Sager, belle of the town (Jane Wyatt). Eleanor lies to get the marshal out of the room when he is about to insist that the gambler hand over a satchel full of money stolen from a bank messenger. There is suspense

in the situation, for the thief had a pistol pointed at the marshal and was about to pull the trigger. Further, it keeps the marshal thinking that the heroine prefers the other man.

The cast includes Albert Dekker, Eugene Pallette, Robert Armstrong, Francis McDonald, and Clem Bevans. George Archainbaud directed, using a screenplay by Harold Shumate, adapted from a book by Frank Gruber.

Today on Short Waves

Changing—10.30 p. m.—Talk in English.
KOL—8.00 p. m.—*Boyd Nell Str. Orchestra* with Eric Erno tenor. GR.
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TVSR—4.40 m.—Songs of Many Lands.
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Moscow—5:48 p. m.—Program in English.
RKE, 13.1 meg., 19.7 m.
London—7:00 p. m.—Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.3 m.; OSU, 7.24 meg., 41.3 m.; GRC, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; ORC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.
London—8:00 p. m.—Talk by William Holt. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; OSU, 7.24 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.
London—9:30 p. m.—"World Affairs." Wickham State. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; OSU, 7.24 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.
Moscow—9:00 p. m.—Comments in English. RKP, 11.8 meg., 19.6 m.

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 102.9 m.

Caracas-8:00 p.m.-Songs of Latin America.
 YVERN, 6.20 m.e.; 48.4 m.

London-8:00 p.m.-American Red Cross
 Eagle Club. ORH, 9.82 m.e.; 30.5 m.;
 OSU, 7.96 m.e.; 41.3 m.; OSU, 6.11
 m.e.; 49.1 m.; ORC, 9.91 m.e.; 102.9 m.
 London-8:00 p.m.-Comments in English.
 RKE, 11.8 m.e.; 26.3 m.

London-8:15 p.m.-A talk by His Grace
 the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.
 ORH, 9.82 m.e.; 30.5 m.; OSU, 7.26
 m.e.; 41.3 m.; OSU, 6.11 m.e.; 49.1 m.

London-11:35 p.m.-The Royal Navy

For Sunday, December 26
 Chungking—11:15 a. m.—American Hour.
 XOOT, 9:30 p. m., 48.4 m.
 London—6:20 p. m.—“Answering You.”
 GRH, 9.83 meg., 39.5 m.; GGU, 7.36 meg.,
 41.3 m.; GGL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.
 Moscow—6:30 p. m.—“Transatlantic Call.”
 GRH, 9.83 meg., 39.5 m.; GGU, 7.36 meg.,
 41.3 m.; GGL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.
 Moscow—6:48 p. m.—Program in English.
 RKE, 18.1 meg., 19.7 m.
 London—7:30 p. m.—World News Round-
 up; J. B. McGeachy, GRH, 9.83 meg.,
 39.5 m.

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Christian Science Program
For Sunday, Dec. 24

9:00 p. m.—WABC, 1310 N. Christian Sci-
ence program provided under the aus-
pices of the Committee on Publication.

This tuning table shows the disc locations of Boston stations and the network key stations in New York					
WEE-5900-CBS	WHDS-6900-BLUZ	WBS-1200-NBC	WNCN-1200-NBS	WHEX-12100-BSN	
00 Pres. Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	
05 Pres. Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	President Roosevelt	
10 New. Ensigns	Morton Downer, songs.	Pepper Young's Family	Yankee House Party	Cowboy Jamboree	
15 New. Ensigns	Morton Downer, songs.	Pepper Young's Family	Yankee House Party	Cowboy Jamboree	
20 Broadway Melodist:	Air Express Music	"Bakelite Wife"	Maj. Gen. 2 Gregory	New. Mystery Melodist	
25 guest stars, New.	Newscast	"Stella Dallas," sketch	Musical Roundup	Mystery Melodist	
30 Interview, "Date"	Bingling Stars	"Younger Brother"	Music Roundup	Mystery Melodist	
35 Interview, "Date"	Bingling Stars	"Younger Brother"	Music Roundup	Mystery Melodist	
40 Five O'Clock Pickups	"Dick Tracy," sketch	"Portia Blair, Mrs. Marjorie"	"Chick Carter," sketch	New. Irish Melodies	
45 Carols, Quartet	Jack Armstrong, sketch	"Joe Plain Bill"	"Chick Carter," sketch	New. Irish Melodies	
50 New. comments	"The Pirates"	New. Sports Reporter	New. service	Sports; Musicals	
55 Lyn Murray's show	Jerry and the Pirates	Carl de Busa, m.	"Dignity" Songs	Comments Musicals	
60 News, 6:30 Harch	WHDS Studio Orchest.	E.W. Taminson, news	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
65 "I Love a Mystery"	"Hot Shoe League"	J. W. Vandenberg, news	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
70 "Dateline: Harch"	"Hot Shoe League"	John Bar, Jr.	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
75 "Dateline: Harch"	"Hot Shoe League"	John Bar, Jr.	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
80 soloist, orchestra	Western drama	John Bar, Jr.	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
85 Kate Smith: Harch	Western drama	John Bar, Jr.	Front Page Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day	
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0 News of the World	Newscast	World News Roundup	Religious program	Religious program	Walls time	Religious program	Walls time
10 10 o'clock news	Various artists; Samuel	10 o'clock news	Religious program	10 o'clock news	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program
15 Religious program	Frederick, conductor	The melody's the thing	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program
20 20 o'clock news	Various artists; Samuel	20 o'clock news	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program
25 Church of the Air	Israel Varlet; music	National Radio Pulpit	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program
30 30 o'clock news	Israel Varlet; music	National Radio Pulpit	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program	Religious program
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Municipal League's Book Is Long Record of Service

Women's Activities

By Alice Myers

Assistant Woman's Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

Thirty-five years of municipal housekeeping will be brought to a close at the annual meeting of the Women's Municipal League of Boston on Dec. 30. The record of those years has been dusted off and put into book shape as an anniversary present to the members from their President, Mrs. Henry D. Tudor. This peerless gift should be off the press on or about that date.

The history of this energetic woman's organization has been compiled by Miss Dorothy Worrell, whose acquaintance with the League dates from her own days at the Boston Girls' Latin School. She recalls the whole school being assembled at Jordan Hall one Saturday morning to listen to a stereophonic lecture on rats and flies given by an official of the League. Never after that could she forget the League, although she was too young to take part in its early anti-rodent campaign, which brought into vogue the saying:

"If we have to go to New York for our data, New York comes to Boston to ask about rats."

Another school lecture by a League member, this one on civic responsibility, made such an impression on Miss Worrell that to this day, she says, it has not violated the principle it taught: "Never throw a discarded piece of paper, wrapping, or other item of rubbish in street, sidewalk, or yard."

Her next contact with the League came when as a student at Radcliffe College she was assigned to investigate candy factories in the North End. This was field work for a course in municipal government. The League's civic housekeeping schedule at that time included the making of many reports on conditions in the provision stores of Boston, and it cooperated with the Suffolk District Medical Society in obtaining legislation to regulate exposure of food for sale. Its service in this field was ultimately taken over by the Boston Board of Health.

Street Improvement

In 1924 Miss Worrell began her active association with the League as an inspector in its streets and alleys department. Of all its varied work through the years, street improvement through better waste disposal probably best typified the League to the general public, she says. As early as 1911, the activity of this department won from Mayor Fitzgerald this communication: "There is no doubt that the efforts of the Women's Municipal League have given a new impetus to the cleaning of streets."

Pioneer in many projects for making Boston a better place to live in, the League's way was to initiate experiments for the good of the community, prove their worth, and then get some existing agency to take them over. In 1911, for instance, it opened the first evening School Center for neighborhood social and recreational purposes. This "object lesson," designed to show the citizens of Boston the desirability and feasibility of using school buildings after hours, was financed and staffed by the League for a year. Today there are 14 such centers in Greater Boston.

The woman who originally led this band of "municipal housekeepers" into Boston highways and byways was no less a person than Katharine Lowell Bowler, sister of Harvard's President Lowell and of Percival Lowell, the astronomer, and Amy Lowell, the poetess.

For Katharine Bowler, according to those who knew her in the early days of the League, there were no obstacles. While her practical vision in founding it was that the housekeeping of a great city was women's work. One of her pet projects grew out of her conviction that children should know the joy of growing things even though they had to live in a crowded city. Thus it was that children's gardens were first dug in vacant city lots in Boston.

Gardening for children is the one project still carried on by the League. Just last summer another early undertaking, the North Brighton Community Center, was relinquished to an independent board of directors. This Center is now supported by the Community Fund, but its little gray house with red trimmings belongs to the League and in it most of the writing of the history was done.

Penley Scheduled To Be Arraigned On Draft Charge

BANGOR, Maine, Dec. 24 (AP)—Howard E. Penley, of Dorchester, Mass., District Secretary of the Socialist Party in New England, is scheduled to be arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Ballard F. Keith today on a fugitive from justice charge.

He was taken into custody yesterday by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents while en route with his wife to spend Christmas with her parents at Caribou, Maine.

A warrant charging him with being a fugitive from justice was issued by Deputy United States Marshal Ralph Jordan and was based on a Massachusetts warrant charging Mr. Penley with violation of the Selective Service Act by failure to report for induction in Massachusetts on Dec. 22.

Mr. Penley said Dec. 22, in a written statement, that he would not report for induction because he was opposed to the war on political and religious grounds.

He added that he planned to spend the Christmas week end in Maine and would then return to Boston to await Government action.

Prewar Dads Still Drafted By Lot Method

Pre-Pearl Harbor fathers are still being inducted by lot and not by official priority of age groups within the 18 to 38 classification, it was made clear today at State Headquarters of Selective Service.

Reports had been circulated that fathers would be inducted by groups, beginning with the youngest first. Officially, the order number obtained under the national drawing prevails, said a spokesman, who added, however, that local boards might be more lenient to the older fathers in granting occupational deferments.

This in effect might be the same as priority by age, but officially deferments are supposed to be for reasons other than family status, it was stressed.

Before recent legislation put fathers at the bottom of the draft barrel, it had also been reported unofficially that prewar fathers throughout the 18 to 38 bracket had been given more lenient deferments for occupation in comparison with single men and childless husbands, even though under the law family status was not to affect occupational deferment.

Many of the older fathers, it was reported, had concluded that the armed services could not make good use of them, since so many over 38 had been found unable to meet the physical demands of military life.

While such a trend of comparative physical usefulness may be valid, it was also pointed out that an Army can't operate only with 18-year-olds or even with those in their twenties, since the character and maturity of men, especially in a big-brother relationship, were much in demand for positions of responsibility and for morale in every fighting unit. It has been found, making older men an indispensable proportion in every outfit.

Reports about the drafting of fathers just two days before the traditional family gathering of Christmas were labeled "unfortunate in making Selective Service appear harsh and unreasoning," the spokesman said. Some of the fathers had become such since Pearl Harbor and therefore were not to be classified with those about whom the controversy raged recently on priority of induction, it was recalled.

Also, it was announced last month that necessities of fighting the war and building up the armed forces would require the induction of quotas every day except on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the Christmas and New Year week ends.

Jordan Marsh Sponsors Yule Radio Program

"Into the Christmas skies" tonight at 7:30 o'clock a radio program dedicated to "loved ones far from home" is being sponsored by Jordan Marsh Company in greetings to all New England.

To be broadcast by Station WNAC, the program will offer carols by the Boys' Choir of St. Paul's Cathedral and Francis J. Cronin, organist. There will also be heard a recitation to music, "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

Appreciation of the tremendous amount of work during the holiday buying rush was expressed by officials of the company at a dinner yesterday in the Parker House. The entire Parker House ballroom was taken over for a holiday dinner and party tendered to store executives.

James H. Fairclough, Jr., a Vice-President, as master of ceremonies introduced as speakers of the evening, Edward R. Mitton, President; Cameron S. Thompson, Vice-President; William A. Everett, Vice-President; and Richard Edwards, Sales Promotion Manager.

Other members of the management present were Robert Mitton and Edward J. Pendergast, directors; Richard Daggett, Operating Manager; and Daniel Lunt, Assistant to the President.

A. E. Finney was Chairman of the Entertainment Committee and he was assisted by Miss Norma Kinney and Miss Laura Snyder of the Manufacturing Department. Miss Kinney's Hawaiian dances and songs by Miss Snyder were adjudged by all present as the "hit" of the evening. Members of Jordan's Christmas Caravan performed the holiday amenities for the occasion. Music was supplied by Tommy Carr's Orchestra, with Eddie Grant, accordionist.

Ration Dates for Consumers

Meats, Butter, etc. — Brown stamps "L," "M," "N," "P," and "Q" now valid; all expire Jan. 1. "R" stamps valid Dec. 26; "S," Jan. 2; "T," Jan. 9; and "U," Jan. 16; all expire Jan. 29.

Sugar—Today—Stamp No. 29 (marked "sugar") on the last page of Book No. 4 now valid for five pounds; expires Jan. 15, 1944.

Canned Goods Today—Green stamps "D," "E," and "F" now valid through Jan. 20. Green stamps "G," "H," and "J" become valid Jan. 1; expire Feb. 20.

Gasoline—New "A" No. 8 gasoline coupons now valid for three gallons each; expire Feb. 9. New B-2 and C-2 coupons now good for 5 gallons each. B-1 and C-1 coupons still good for 2 gallons each. Expiration dates vary. Each coupon must be endorsed in ink with State and registration number.

Fuel Oil—Period 1 fuel oil coupons now good until Jan. 4, 1944. Period 2 coupons now good until Feb. 8. (Class 4, small domestic users, 10 gallons; class 5, large domestic users, 50 gallons.)

Repatriate Back in Boston



Once Prisoner of Japanese

Royal Arch Gunnison, former writer on The Christian Science Monitor, and now a Mutual Broadcasting System correspondent, who recently returned to the United States, shows an arm band which his wife, former Marjorie Hathaway of Brookline, wore while a Japanese prisoner. Mr. Gunnison is to make his biweekly comment at 10 p. m. tomorrow over Mutual from Station WNAC, Boston.

Walk Up Fifth Avenue Thrills Late Prisoner of the Japanese

Royal Arch Gunnison, who has returned to Boston after having been a prisoner of the Japanese for two years, declared today in an interview at the Hotel Puritan that one of his biggest moments after his return to the United States was to walk up Fifth Avenue in New York and look in the store windows.

"The Japanese propaganda had told us that there was nothing in the shop windows on Fifth Avenue, that you couldn't get meat, sugar, and clothing, that everything was rationed," said Mr. Gunnison, a former staff writer of The Christian Science Monitor and now commentator for the Mutual Broadcasting System. "We knew it wasn't true, but it sure was gratifying to walk up Fifth Avenue and see for ourselves."

He is in Boston to spend the holiday on Cape Cod with his wife, former Marjorie Hathaway of Brookline, Mass., and his mother, Mrs. Helena C. Gunnison, of Seattle, Wash. While here Mr. Gunnison will broadcast his biweekly Mutual news comment tomorrow from Station WNAC in Boston.

Mr. Gunnison proposed that the same propaganda machinery that is now being used in Japan to keep up morale be employed to change Japanese thinking after

Japan has been conquered. "We've got to turn the same thing on them that their own country has," Mr. Gunnison declared. "They've been told what to think and what to do for so long, that we would be miffing an excellent chance if we failed to use this machinery to re-educate them to the fact that they have really lost the war and that they must change their ideas."

"If we do not," Mr. Gunnison stated, "Japanese propaganda will continue to tell the Japs that they have really won the war, that their forces were outnumbered and not beaten and that they must take the necessary measures to see that the Army and Navy have sufficient numbers the next time they go to war."

Separation of the Japanese political and military hierarchy from its Emperor must also take place, Mr. Gunnison declared. "It's a familiar practice for Tojo to explain losses, setbacks, and other changes by the phrase 'The Emperor says,'" Mr. Gunnison pointed out. "If the Japanese people are once made to realize that it is their own leaders who have lost, they will be made to recognize real defeat." Otherwise, Mr. Gunnison added, the Japanese expansionist scheme that embraces a 500-year period will continue to go unchecked.

Packaged Air-Conditioning a Prospect

By W. Clifford Harvey

Staff Writer of The Christian Science Monitor

An all-in-one, packaged, air-conditioning unit for heating homes in winter and keeping them cool in summer will be a major contribution of gas companies to the postwar housing revolution, according to officials of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company today.

So far as the gas company authorities are concerned, the idea of combining all the features of air-conditioning in a single compact unit is not new, since it was well advanced when the war started and could be put in mass production now if materials were available. Still, there are no more than two of the units in actual service in Greater Boston, both test units installed in branch offices of the gas company.

After more than 10 years of planning, however, the company predicts that packaged air-conditioning systems will be turned into big business once the war ceases.

Basically, there will be little difference between the single-unit, air-conditioning system than that which has been in use in homes for some years. The chief difference is that the packaged system will come in a compact, single unit controlled by a thermostat and switches in the living room, instead of being a multiple unit setup. While the change sounds simple, gas company officials believe it will be as significant to refrigeration as the elimination of the battery was to radio.

This is one postwar development that will have undergone all the necessary tests for proving its worth. It was tried out for several years before the war and was just coming into commercial usage both for homes and industries before the war. In the case of the packaged air-conditioning system, the war merely held up production. Hence, it is not a so-called "war baby" dependant upon postwar experimentation to prove its value.

Under the new system, invigorating atmosphere, neither too cold nor hot, nor too damp or dry, will be delivered to commercial plants and homes with a minimum use of moving mechanical parts. The possibilities for a vast, new industry here are tremendous. For out of the 1,000,000 new homes to be built every year for at least a 10-year period after the war, as the estimated need of the nation, the gas companies anticipate an

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annual installation of possibly 100,000 air-conditioning units. What will the cost be for these all-in-one units? There's the catch, or there was the catch before the war. Then it was upwards of \$2,000 to \$2,500 installed. But like the automobile, the original costs are high. Under mass production, the costs should be reduced to meet the popular demand.

Operating costs on the present gauge of gas prices would be comparatively high. But the increasing use of gas for domestic purposes is constantly bringing prices down to the point, perhaps, where single-unit air conditioning may be well within the reach of average home owners. That is the goal of the gas companies under the grand prospectus of their evolutionary plans for home owners.

Another Bargain

Despite the high assessment of \$175,000 set by the city of Boston upon the property located at the corners of Scollay and Pemberton Squares in the downtown district, it took only a matter of minutes for this structure containing the Epstein Drug Store to be sold at public auction this week at \$68,700.

Thus Bostonians obtained an-

other example of the marked difference between assessed valuations and market value on Boston properties. This was one of the best business corners in the downtown area. It follows closely the sales of two other properties in the same district, the former Old Colony Trust Company Building at 17 Court Street, and the United States Trust Company Building at 30-40 Court. Both were sold at only a fraction of their assessed values.

All three sales were made through the office of John C. Kiley, broker. The Epstein Building was sold by Augustus P. Loring, Trustees to Samuel L. Snelson. It is a 3½-story building with commercial offices above the ground floor.

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Names of 24 New England Soldiers Listed Among 311 Reported Wounded

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The names of 24 New Englanders are included in a list of 311 United States soldiers wounded in action in the European, Mediterranean and Southwest Pacific areas, the War Department announced today.

The New Englanders and next of kin:

Mediterranean Area
Connecticut
Arre, Private Thomas F.—Mrs. Mary Deonimmo, mother, Southington, Conn.
Brady, Private First Class Charles A.—Mrs. Anthony J. Brady, mother, Malden, Mass.
Danauskas, Private Joseph—Mrs. Ursula Danauskas, mother, Waterbury, Conn.
Peck, Private First Class Frederick A.—Harry Peck, father, New Haven, Conn.

Maine
Dechaine, Private Adrian—Xavier Dechaine, father, Keegan, Me.
Ober, Private Edwidge M.—Simon P. Ober, father, Stockholm, Me.

Massachusetts
Barracl, Private First Class Joseph—Salvatore Barracl, father, Saugus, Mass.
Bruno, Private First Class Charles A.—Mrs. Anthony J. Bruno, mother, Malden, Mass.
Gourley, First Lieut. Donald F.—Mrs. Dorothy Gourley, wife, Salem, Mass.
Mahan, Technician Fifth Grade, John—Mrs. Katherine F. Mahan, mother, Charlestown, Mass.
Ricker, Sergeant Ralph O.—Mrs. Margaret Ricker, mother, Boston.
Robitaille, Private First Class Raymond—Mrs. Mary L. Robitaille, mother, Chicopee Falls, Mass.
Staryk, Private Joseph J.—Mrs. Bertha Staryk, mother, Roslindale, Mass.
Sullivan, Sergeant Jeremiah L.—Mrs. Julia T. Sullivan, mother, Cambridge, Mass.

New Hampshire
Labrie, Private Roger P.—Mrs. Cecile B. Labrie, mother, Manchester.
Savage, Private John R.—Mrs. Katherine B. Savage, mother, Manchester.

Rhode Island
Crowther, Private First Class Edward H.—Mrs. Harry Crowther, mother, Providence, R.I.
Nunes, Private Leo—Mrs. Mary Costa Nunes, mother, Valley Falls, R.I.
Spiller, Private Arnold J.—Mrs. Sophie Spiller, mother, Providence, R.I.
Turner, Private First Class Edward R.—Mrs. Bessie Morgan, sister, Ashaway, R.I.

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Allied Bombers Blast Berlin and French 'Rocket Coast'

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the Allied invasion of the West.

Vitebsk, Polotsk, and other rail centers farther north must be retaken before such a massive effort can get properly under way. The Soviet offensive will not necessarily be launched at the same hour as the Anglo-American cross-channel try. The Russian assault may precede the Anglo-American by a considerable period in order to divert German forces from the West.

On the Italian front, the Eighth Army still fights in and around Ortona on the Adriatic coast, while only patrol activity is reported on the Fifth Army front. A delayed dispatch from Italy quotes General Eisenhower as saying that in spite of the slow progress the Italian campaign had been definitely

worthwhile because it has given the Allies air bases from which to bomb central Europe and because it has tied up important German divisions.

In the Far East, the Allied aerial offensive against Japanese bases in the Southwest and Central Pacific continues unabated.

Continents:

Berlin Battered By RAF Bombers

In sweeping in on cloud-covered Berlin early a great fleet of RAF night bombers utterly failed the German Capital's weary defenders.

More than 1,120 United States tons of four-ton blockbusters and other high explosives tumbled sections of the battered city into a solid mass of flames once more. German fighter planes were taken completely by surprise, RAF fliers said. The overcast also hampered searchlight and anti-aircraft workers. The RAF lost no more than 17 bombers of the total force of many hundreds.

In a swift daylight follow-up, United States Marauders bombed military objectives in the Pas-de-Calais area of France—the district which has become known as the "Rocket-Gun Coast" because of belief in neutral countries that Germany has established emplacements there for shooting rockets toward England. RAF, Dominion, and Allied fighters accompanied the Marauders.

The day-before-Christmas deluge of high explosives and incendiaries emphasized that the Allies are not going to let seasonal sentiment interfere with invaluable bombing weather in which to pave the way for the final invasion drive.

The giant four-engine planes, switching their usual tactics for onslaughts on the Reich Capital, flew over the North Sea at midnight instead of following the usual southerly routes. Previous



By a Staff Artist

"Rocket Gun" Bases

This shows how German "rocket guns" might be able to bombard London if they are set up in the Calais area of France, as is reported. One of the heaviest Allied raids of the war was directed at the Calais region today.

RAF attacks generally have been in early evening.

First German reports of the raid said workers' quarters had been hit. The radio cast asserted a considerable number of the attacking bombers were shot down by Nazi fighters and anti-aircraft fire despite the change in RAF strategy.

The German International Information Bureau said the raid was a "terror attack" made "in the early hours of Christmas Eve."

In the last heavy blasting of Berlin on Dec. 16 the RAF lost 30 bombers while dropping 1,500 tons of explosives.

Even before the latest raid it had been estimated the German Capital was half-destroyed in six big raids carried out by the RAF at a cost of 181 bombers.

In the campaign to obliterate this so-called "king of targets" the British had attacked in great force the nights of Dec. 2, losing 41 planes and dropping 1,500 tons of explosives; Nov. 26, losing 32 planes in unloading 1,000 tons; Nov. 23, Nov. 22, and Nov. 18.

Coastal Towns Shelled by Nazis

The German High Command announced its naval shore batteries had shelled targets at Dover, Deal, and Folkestone, across the Channel from Nazi-controlled France.

Translations of the Berlin Radio's first account of the action had led to belief the Germans had announced use of "rocket shells," but a recheck showed the phrase employed by the Germans—"leucht-granate"—meant "flare shells" or tracers.

Leucht-granate is a phrase which could reasonably be translated "rocket," but in the sense of a distress rocket. Because of current talk abroad of alleged German plans to use giant rocket guns to shell London, listeners made their original translation in his connection.

No damage from the over-channel shelling was announced.

Russia:

Russians Storming Vitebsk Defenses

Troops of Gen. Ivan C. Bagration's Baltic Army were storming the outer defenses of Vitebsk

as Moscow dispatches reported that a powerful two-day-old German tank offensive along a 400-mile front to the south had been stopped in its tracks.

Berlin admitted new breaches in German lines to the north and southeast of Vitebsk and "heavy, fluctuating battles." Front reports to Moscow said Red Army units were less than 12 miles north of the heavily fortified base after forcing another water barrier and killing 800 Germans.

Other Russian columns were streaking south and west to threaten the Vitebsk-Polotsk rail line, capturing several villages and additional advantageous positions en route. The Russian communiqué added that enemy troops were abandoning large stores of equipment as they fell back.

One dispatch said the German High Command was throwing more and more armor into the tank offensive, which presumably was launched as a diversionary attempt to weaken General Bagration's drive on Vitebsk.

The Moscow war bulletin said the fighting in the Zlobin area was exceedingly bitter. Here Russian troops under Gen. Constantine Rokossovsky, trying to close an important German escape corridor to the west, destroyed 57 tanks and killed 1,500 Nazi troops on Dec. 23. This success was achieved, the bulletin added, "despite the numerical superiority" of the enemy forces.

The fighting in the Kiev bulge was second in intensity that southwest of Zlobin. Field Marshal Gene Fritz von Manstein launched two strong tank and infantry attacks against Russian positions, but was forced to withdraw after losing 27 tanks and 800 men.

Italy:

Allies Drive On In Snow and Rain

Fighting in snow and rain, the Eighth Army has driven northward and captured the village of Vezani, three miles southwest of Ortona and the Canadian are digging the last Germans out of Ortona with bayonets, it was announced at Allied Headquarters in Algiers, Algeria.

The whole Italian front was blanketed by wet, wintry weather which handicapped operations both ground and in the air.

American infantry of the Fifth Army plodded through the snow to take one high point but was pushed off another. Marauder bombers of the United States 15th Air Force pounded the railroad along the French-Italian Riviera in three places.

The most violent fighting continued in the Ortona area, where the Germans battled desperately to retain the eastern anchor of their defense line.

Other units of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth Army were pressing relentlessly northward despite the intolerable weather.

Vezani, the village which the British captured Dec. 23, is about a mile north of the highway between Ortona and Ancona.

Other British troops fought their way into the outskirts of

had kept the enemy strength spread thin.

Prior to the Allied invasion, he said, seven German divisions were in Italy. Just 13 days after the conquest of Sicily, the Nazis had sent 19 divisions into Italy and in addition, had been forced to keep troops tied up in Southern France and the Balkans because of the uncertainty of the next Allied move, the Commander in Chief added.

Yugoslavia:

Partisans Advance In Eastern Bosnia

Pressing "successful offensive operations" in Eastern Bosnia, Marshal Josip Broz's Partisans reported their units closing in further around the town of Sarajevo, where the First World War was touched off. The communiqué was broadcast by the Free-Yugoslav Radio.

While the Berlin Radio claimed that all organized guerrilla resistance in Serbia had ceased, Marshal Broz's war bulletin reported that in the neighboring Province of Bosnia, Partisan forces had occupied territory between Breza, a town on a branch railway 15 miles north of Sarajevo and Vares, northern terminus of the line. A power station was blighted in this action.

Other Partisan columns already were reported approaching Sarajevo from the south, he asserted. The Yugoslav communiqué said the Partisans were on the offensive in all other parts of Bosnia.

Pacific:

14 Japanese Planes Shot Down

Allied planes struck right and left up the narrow waterway between New Britain and New Guinea, doing heavy damage to Japanese supply facilities and air bases and shooting down at least 14 enemy aircraft, Allied Headquarters in New Guinea announced.

The heaviest concentration of enemy ships reported in the Marshall Islands was sighted by American Army and Navy fliers who attacked two atolls in the mid-Pacific island group. Twenty ships were counted at Kwajalein, indicating Japanese reinforcements against a possible invasion strike.

Two transports and a freighter in the harbor at Wewak, on the northeast coast of New Guinea, received two direct bomb hits each from Mitchell medium bombers that scudded in low to also set fires in airfield and supply dump areas and silence anti-aircraft positions.

The American General asserted he was overwhelmed with admiration for Allied troops fighting under terrible weather conditions and across difficult terrain on both the Fifth and Eighth Army fronts. One of the unifying influences, General Eisenhower explained, is the desire among all troops of all nationalities to work together.

The General said cracking the German winter line was not a job for the Air Force alone, but for the infantry as well, which is making slow, plodding progress.

Villagrande, two miles southwest of Ortona.

Weather limited action on the Fifth Army front largely to patrolling and in the only two decisive moves announced in the communiqué, American troops gained some high ground a mile east of Acquafredda and lost a hill half a mile southeast of Vitucoso which they had captured previously.

Weather Grounds Most of Air Force

Clouds and storms kept heavy bombers and most of the other aircraft grounded, but American Marauders struck simultaneously at three different points on the German rail artery along the Riviera in Southern France and Italy.

At Imperia, several miles east of the French-Italian border, railroad yards and bridges were bombed. At the frontier town of Ventimiglia, railroad yards and approaches also were blasted. And at Antheor in France, a short distance from Cannes, the huge north viaduct and approach was hit despite heavy flak.

Gen. Dwight Eisenhower said on Dec. 23 that the Italian campaign had been definitely worthwhile because it gave the Allies new, important air bases and also

Kharkov Builds Anew on Ruin Left by Nazis

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that they were obeying orders from above absolved them from any personal moral guilt for their actions. Perhaps this destruction of individual conscience and individual moral responsibility among his followers is Hitler's greatest crime of all.

Along the battle-scarred Ukrainian countryside, a thin mantle of snow fails to hide or soften the hideous panorama of destruction that unfolds mile after mile.

Destruction Everywhere Twisted rails, burnt-out railway cars, wrecked tanks and armored cars and guns are strewn helter skelter alongside the track. The train halls where cities and towns once stood, but little now remains save shell-pitted walls. Even trees planted along the right of way are blasted and broken from shellfire, testifying to the terrific battle which took place along here last July, when the Germans launched their unsuccessful summer offensive.

Only 2½ years ago, this was a rich, flourishing agricultural and industrial region. Kharkov then was a modern metropolis of 925,000 population. Before the Germans arrived, many persons were evacuated eastward, but about 450,000, or nearly half, remained. According to the figures of the German occupational authorities, by the summer of 1943, only 185,000 remained. The Germans themselves frankly acknowledged that the decrease was due largely to famine, which in the course of nearly two years accounted for 100,000 persons.

In addition, at least 100,000 were deported to Germany in 120 trainloads. In mid-December, 1940, the German commandant ordered all Jews to vacate their houses and apartments in the city and move to the barracks of the Kharkov Tractor Factory within three days.

Jews Considered 'Fair Game' Carrying or hauling whatever they managed to salvage from their household and personal possessions, these hapless people set forth. Many never reached their destination, being shot en route by German soldiers who regarded them as fair game or falling into the clutches of the Gestapo. About 400 stragglers were locked up inside a synagogue without food or fuel. About 17,000 reached the factory barracks, where they, too, were locked inside the buildings without food. Between Jan. 7 and 10 all survivors were taken off in truckloads and executed.

mines in the neighboring Donets Basin is being produced. Next year, the huge Kharkov tractor plant will resume operation.

The local bread ration now equals the Moscow ration. In the open market, I observed a large variety of foodstuffs and articles of every description. Private trade exists, but already the Socialists is making headway. About 170,000 of the population are served by state-operated dining rooms which have supplanted high-priced private restaurants. Newly reopened state department stores display considerable assortments.

Typical Example The fate of Kharkov and its inhabitants under the Germans provides a typical concrete example of the fate of all Nazi-occupied areas. For, though the degree of devastation and persecution of the civil population may vary with the zeal of different local German commandants and with the length of time of German occupation of a given area, the basic policies and directives were everywhere the same.

Terrible as are the Germans' physical crimes and atrocities, in some ways their systematic elimination of cultural and moral values is even more appalling—the closing of schools, burning of books, spreading of anti-Semitic poison, their scheming efforts to tempt and corrupt those whose lives they spare, seeking to make wide sections their accomplices for purposes of subsequent blackmail and intimidation.

Thus when the Germans retreat, there usually is some small number of misguided persons who find themselves hopelessly compromised as traitors.

Traitor Mikhail Bulanov at the recent war-crime trial was a case in point.

Illustrative of the German negative attitude toward morals and ethics was the conduct of the German defendants. They avowed their crimes almost with gusto, gratuitously filling in all lurid details. They professed regret for their actions, although here their motives were obviously suspect, as their sole hope for leniency lay in "making a clean breast" of everything.

But never once was there the faintest suggestion of any moral repentance or shame for their past. They readily blamed everything on their Nazi chiefs and seemed to think the circumstances

Such briefly, are the data compiled by Soviet commission investigating German atrocities on the spot. Today Kharkov no longer has any Jewish population.

But though the Nazi terror was worst against the Jews, it by no means neglected other sections of the population. Besides mass shootings and "gaswagens" (lethal trucks), from the first day of Nazi entry, hundreds of civilians were hanged daily and publicly in streets and squares.

Though officially the Germans encouraged private enterprise in trade and industry, they brought in no consumers' goods or foodstuffs for the civil population—although the German Army was plentifully supplied with luxuries, including French champagne, nor was there any serious effort to resume production in the city's great industrial plants, though many German concerns sent their representatives.

Cultural Life Halted Under the Germans, Kharkov's cultural life was completely interrupted. A week after entry, they ordered the city's many institutions of higher learning and research—numbering more than 40—to prepare for resumption of activities, but this was only a prelude to systematic plunder. All valuable equipment, including apparatus for cracking the atom, was dismantled and shipped to Germany. Books were either shipped to Germany or destroyed. A German commissar with absolute powers was assigned to each institution. These Nazi officials mostly semiliterate noncommissioned officers.

Professors and researchers were denied any food ration and either starved or eked out a miserable existence by making boot polish, soap, candles or other small saleable commodities. When the Red Army recaptured Kharkov last August, only three institutions had escaped complete destruction.

All Libraries Closed During their occupation, the Germans did as much as open one library or bookstore for the distribution of books and magazines, even Nazi propaganda.

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Choice of Gen. Eisenhower 'Open Secret' in Two Capitals

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early spring—before the spring thaws in Russia, or not much after the beginning of the thaw. The Germans must not be allowed time to move forces from the Eastern to the Western Fronts.

Element of Haste That writes an element of urgent haste into the preinvasion bombing schedule. Not only must maximum damage be done to German war industry during the next two or three months, but the invasion coast itself must be softened and the primary coast defenses must be reduced to the minimum possible effectiveness.

Into this picture of emergency must be fitted the experience of Tarawa which forces an upward revision of the amount of bomb tonnage necessary to reduce coastal fortifications. Tarawa did not disprove the theories of the air enthusiasts. Bombing can do the way for landings. But Tarawa did show that it takes more bombs and more shells to smash concrete gun emplacements and machine-gun pillboxes than previously had been assumed.

It is no secret any longer that the survival of most of the Japanese on Tarawa through the preliminary bombardment was a surprise and a shock. When the Marines started ashore it was fully believed that resistance was almost at an end. Instead the Japanese came through the bombardment almost unscathed.

It must be realized that the Germans have had more time to perfect the channel defenses and possessed more accessible materials for the task than were available to the Japanese at Tarawa. The Japanese had two years at the end of a long water haul at Tarawa. The Germans have had better than 3½ years to fortify the Channel coast. The estimated weight of bombs which must be dropped on those fortifications goes up as the time shortens. General Eisenhower receives his assignment at a moment when these other factors enhance the difficulty of the task.

The Russian winter offensive was under way in the Nevel sector this week, but on a narrow front and small scale. The exact date it began has not been announced but it apparently was about 12 days old today and had gained a total of about 20 miles which brought it up against the outer defenses of the rail center of Vitebsk, important to the Germans as a barrier on the road to Riga.

The limited initial success was due partly to the seriousness of the danger to the Germans. The loss of Vitebsk almost certainly would mean the crumbling of the whole northern German flank stretching up into Finland. They understandably offered strong resistance, meeting each Russian advance with repeated counterattacks.

They also were counterattacking at a half-dozen other points along the Russian front—delivering the kind of counterattacks which are not intended primarily to gain ground, but to delay the opponent's plans. That, in fact, was the general picture—a Russian army obviously poised for great movements along the whole front, only one sector of which had opened, with the Germans

striking little short jabs at the poised mass trying to throw it off balance.

Serious Thrust The curtain raiser had begun, but the big show was still to come. What was left uncertain was whether the Nevel thrust was a feint to cover a bigger move elsewhere, or the beginning of the main drive. The German northern flank was a rich prize and the Russians were in easy striking distance for it. They could advance in that direction with shorter supply lines than on any other part of the front.

The probability seemed to be that the thrust at Vitebsk was thoroughly serious and that from Vitebsk the Russians would push on for Riga and the Baltic coast to clear Leningrad and isolate the Germans in Finland.

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War Refugee Problem: Relief Action Integrated

By E. Berg Holt

Special Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Integration of work now being done by a number of separate organizations in connection with the colossal task of repatriating displaced persons after the war is being urged here following the Teheran announcement that the timetable for invasion on Hitler's European Front has been agreed upon between Britain, the United States and Russia.

The problem concerns not less than 20,000,000 persons, all of whom will be clamoring to go home as soon as possible and the organizations in question include,

on the governmental side, the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, the League of Nations Office for Refugees, the International Labor Office, and the Allied Postwar Requirements Bureau in London (which is expected to be absorbed by UNRRA).

Among the private charitable bodies which are interested, are the Red Cross, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Girl Guides, Save the Children Fund, the Society of Friends and the Salvation Army.

Most voluntary societies are represented on the Central Committee which was formed in London to keep private enterprises in touch with the various governments on questions affecting relief and rehabilitation in areas stricken by war.

According to an estimate by Sir Herbert Emerson, League Commissioner for Refugees, there are 20,000,000 dispatiates in Europe, but this huge figure does not include prisoners of war who number probably 10,000,000. To this total must be added that of Allied and Axis armies which may be even larger than that of refugees and displaced persons.

Many Chinese Refugees
The I. L. O. in a recent publication from Montreal said the "displacement of the population in Europe" is a reminder also that "in China the number of refugees who have left their homes as a result of Japanese aggressions is estimated at 30,000,000 to 60,000,000."

As far as Europe is concerned, civilian dispatiates can be divided into three groups:
1. Germans and others (Jews among them) who have been moved from their homes as a result of a deliberate attempt on the part of Hitler to remake the political and demographic map of Europe.

2. Those who have been evacuated or who have fled for reasons connected with war operations, including air bombing, land fighting, and organization of defense zones.

3. Workers who have been coerced or tricked into going into Germany for war work either on land or in factories.
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'Home' for Repairs



Associated Press

Incident in the South Pacific

An American airman inspects flak damage to his plane on landing on a carrier after returning from a recent raid against the Japanese on Rabaul, important enemy base on New Britain.

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home again. They are not included in the total of those to be repatriated after the war.

Nor are those members of German minorities who, before the war, lived in Yugoslavia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Rumania and are still there today. There is little doubt, however, many of them who have thrown in their lot with the Germans of the Reich will be chased out when the Nazi regime collapses, thus swelling the total of dispatiates the United Nations must include in their plans.

Millions Affected
In an effort to remake the map, Hitler has, apart from Germans, moved over 250,000 Czechoslovaks, at least 2,000,000 Poles, about 120,000 Netherlands, 100,000 Belgians 500,000 French and 500,000 Yugoslavs.

These figures include Jews which, however, are outnumbered by gentile expatriates.

The satellites have been equally active. For example, 100,000 Greeks have been removed, and replaced by 80,000 Bulgarians in the annexed regions of Thrace. Hungarians have evicted 70,000 Slovaks, and 200,000 Rumanians from annexed territories of Transylvania and Baeska.

It should also be added that when the Russians occupied Poland and the Baltic States they moved roughly 1,500,000, and 190,000 persons respectively, to what the I. L. O. publication describes as "Eastern U. S. S. R." in other words, Siberia. Some of these have since reached Iran, the Levant, and central Africa.

When we think of the second group—people who have fled or have been evacuated on account of war operations—we generally think of those Germans who have lost their homes from air bombing of whom there are believed to be at least 1,000,000 outside Germany. The number still in Germany is unknown.

But these form only a small proportion of the total in this category. For instance, Germans have moved at least 1,000,000 from the coastal regions of France in connection with their plans for defense against invasion.

The Poles, French, Belgians, and Dutch who fled when their countries were invaded have now largely returned home. But those in U. S. S. R. who either moved voluntarily eastward or went as a part of a vast preconceived plan when the Germans swept through Western Russia are still in exile. Their numbers are declared to exceed 10,000,000.

At the beginning of 1943, a third category—foreign workers in Germany—included, apart from war prisoners, about 1,500,000 Russians, 1,300,000 Poles, 350,000 Italians, 320,000 Czechoslovaks, 300,000 Dutch, 300,000 Belgians, and 250,000 Yugoslavs. The number employed as prisoners of war is estimated at 1,750,000.

Since then civilian figures probably have increased considerably despite the comparative failure of labor conscription decrees in several of the occupied countries, particularly France and Greece.

The preliminary UNRRA agreement reached at Atlantic City only touches the fringe of the problems which will have to be tackled from directly behind the invading armies if they are to be successfully dealt with.

Those who remember how refugees, leaving their homes, complicated the work of soldiers during the battles of Poland, France, and Belgium, hope plans will be made in time to ensure that somewhat similar difficulties will not arise when dispatiates want to go back home again in the wake of the victors.

Glow of Noel Penetrates Allied Front

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Dec. 24.—Christmas Day in the Mediterranean theater of war is to be observed as a holiday as far as possible.

In the words of a special military order in one area, "Work is to be reduced to the minimum. Only essential operational and maintenance work will be carried out. Officers and men required to work on Christmas day will be granted a holiday on some other day."

In the forward positions, it may mean only something rather "special" to eat or drink, or if circumstances permit, perhaps, an exchange of greetings, a little impromptu decoration of tents, huts, trenches or billets.

At the other end of the scale where more facilities are available, there will be the closest possible approach to the traditional festivities—parties, imposing dinner menus, entertainment, elaborate decorations, Christmas trees. In between these two extremes lie many grades of commemoration according to what is available for the purpose.

Everywhere that it can possibly be arranged there will be a church service. This again will vary according to circumstances from a group of mud-stained men listening to a chaplain within range of the enemy, to big congregations assembled in churches and halls. At one panzer camp I know, the men have built a little church of odds and ends of plywood and canvas for their services.

In many places, congregations will be representative of several nations united for prayer and thanksgiving. In one camp, Americans, British, French, Yugoslavs, Italians, and Poles will be brought together closer than they normally are by their common tasks of war.

Christmas dinners will vary according to the supplies available. Behind the battle line, this will mean for the Americans turkey, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie, if the tins arrive, and for the British, turkey and plum pudding. The less fortunate will make the best of rationed ham or bully beef.

On the way to the front and back again, I listened in to many plans for making the best of local resources. There were allusions to chicken, duck, and other delicacies obtained easier in country districts than in towns.

Crisis Averted
For the British in one zone, what threatened to be a "Christmas-pudding crisis" has been narrowly averted. Expected supplies did not come through, but the Army Catering Corps rose to the emergency and, working successive shifts, inured days and four nights, produced 10 tons of Christmas pudding on improved cooking equipment in the field.

A power-driven mincer was fixed up with the engine taken from the refrigerator of a captured Italian general's mobile kitchen. Truckloads of bowls and ingredients were rushed up to where 12 field steamers had been constructed from water tanks borrowed from the Royal engineers, and furnaces were vamped up out of four-gallon gasoline cans filled with earth. Cooks were called upon from as far as 300 miles away, and six days before Christmas, many thousands of Tommies were assured of their pudding.

One American bomber squadron I visited in Italy was having a great deal of fun running a Christmas-menu competition, with suggestions limited to the fare obtainable through ordinary service supplies or local purchases. The winning card was to be faithfully followed by the cooks on Dec. 25.

Christmas gifts from home have been a source of great pleasure to the men all the way up to the lines, and under that heading, of course come, letters. Service post-office staffs have been working overtime to insure that parcels and letters marked "Not to be Opened Before Christmas" can in fact be opened by eager recipients at the right time.

Card Decorations
Christmas cards are decorating tents, dugouts, trucks, billets, messes, and even the inside of armored fighting vehicles.
At one busy port, the "Wrens"—the women's service of the British Royal Navy—have got together a choir to entertain the sailors. In return, the sailors are producing a pantomime. American and British soldiers and airmen have made up carol-singing clubs. In one place, the Italians have organized an excellent dance band to entertain the Americans and British. The French are in it in a big way, too.

Units remote from centers where organized entertainment is provided have produced their own concert parties and dance bands, displaying great ingenuity in improvising the "necessary stage properties" from anything handy. Among all the thousands of men and women on service in the Mediterranean area, there is much first-rate professional talent.

But naturally at this season, the main topic of thought and conversation is home and loved ones, coupled with the hopes that next year's Christmas may be celebrated in very different circumstances and may be in the fullest sense one of peace and good will.

WPE Informs Motorists
Antifreeze Supply Ample
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The War Production Board yesterday warned motorists against rumors of shortages of antifreeze solutions.

Allocations of industrial alcohol are adequate to meet current antifreeze needs, the agency said.

Hotels and Resorts

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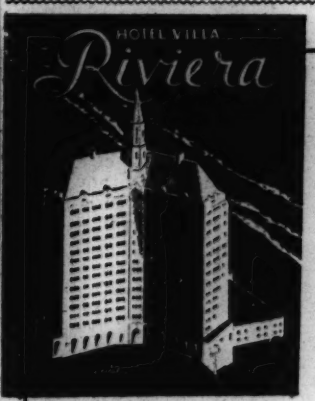
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BBC Bans Lyrics

By P. G. Wodehouse

LONDON, Dec. 23 (P)—The British Broadcasting Corp. yesterday banned the airing of musical comedies with lyrics by P. G. Wodehouse, on the ground that the humorous writer, interned by the Nazis, "broadcasts for the enemy."

The action drew a protest from comedian Leslie Henson, who has been reviving some of Mr. Wodehouse's works.
"There is a very great controversy about him and under English law no man is guilty until proved so," Mr. Henson said. "We shall not know the facts until Mr. Wodehouse has been released from Germany. His broadcasts no doubt are made at revolver point, with the Gestapo behind him."

Mr. Wodehouse was captured by the Germans following their 1940 offensive in France. Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden announced several months ago that Britain had noted that Mr. Wodehouse had lent his services to the enemy propaganda machine.

Liquor Ring Arraigned

On Federal OPA Charge

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 (P)—Seven men, who Assistant Enforcement Supervisor William E. Dunnigan of the New York District, Federal Alcohol Tax Unit, said were members of a "million dollar 'black market' ring" in whisky, were released in bail ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000 today pending Grand Jury action.

Six of the men were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Garrett W. Cotto on a complaint filed by Assistant U. S. Attorney J. Gerard Grogan. The seventh was ill, but a bondman signed his bail bond at his hotel. The Government charges they conspired to violate the Office of Price Administration's ceiling prices on liquor.

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Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh

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THROUGHOUT Christendom the hearts of all rejoice at this glad season of the year. Children and adults alike listen with joy to the sacred record of the birth of the babe Jesus. They are eager to hear the story of the coming of the human herald of the ever-present Christ-idea.

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Norway's Best-Known Fjord

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One of the provoking causes for world unrest and upheaval is the perennial fear that there may not be sufficient supply for all. Even as the Wisemen of old laid down gold as their offering to the Christ-child, so Christian Science bids humanity to set aside its material sense of substance. Unburdened by anxiety or limited outlook, Science replaces the belief of lack with the enduring and true perception of God's unending largess for His creation, the universe, including individual spiritual man.

Christian Science is predicated on the genuine record of God's creation, as set forth in the first chapter of Genesis. Therein man is spiritually created as God's own image and likeness, a creation pronounced complete and wholly good. The needs of man are supplied, without interruption, by his heavenly Father. The spiritual understanding of God's continuing provision leaves no latitude for dismay or doubt that there may not always be enough for all.

As the Wisemen of old laid frankincense down as their offering, so Christian Science bids its followers to set aside superstitions and misconceptions of God. It presents the Christian scientific concept of God as infinite Love, who sends no evil or punishment to His children. The spiritual understanding of God's omnipresent goodness precludes place or power for evil. Thus dethroned, error is understood to be unreal. As this spiritual fact is accepted and demonstrated, the wrongdoer learns that evil is self-punished so long as it is indulged; but when the wrong-doing is abjured and honest reformation ensues, the penalty ends with the sin.

Since the time of Jesus, no pathological method for the cure of disease has been found so effective as the tender ministrations of Christian Science, based as it is on the Christ, the rock of spiritual healing. As the Wisemen laid down at the feet of the babe Jesus their offering of myrrh, so does Christian Science ask its followers to lay aside all dependency upon material means of healing, with implicit faith that God, the loving Father-Mother, is ever the omnipotent Physician. Science enlarges such faith by the spiritual understanding that Love never fails, even during the most trying times. There is no mystery in Christian Science treatment. Results are sure when the sufferer turns to infinite Mind as the only Healer. No conjecture attends reliance on Principle; it is known at the outset that demonstration must inevitably ensue.

In order to illustrate how this divine Science operates in its practical application to human affairs, the writer cites his own experience. A quarter-century ago he was able to lay aside false beliefs of lack, mistaken religious convictions, and dependency upon medical methods. During World War I he received his introduction to Christian Science through the friendly ministrations of a Christian Science Camp Worker. In joyful anticipation of the good it contained, he began to read the soldier's vest-pocket edition of "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mrs. Eddy. Through the intervening years since demobilization, he has found that the spiritual understanding which unfolds from the study of this precious volume has brought sufficient supply of all needful things, a love and deep reverence for God and His Christ, and the wonder of recovery from disease. The demonstration has been permanent.

In profound gratitude for the Christ, Truth, which has brought healing, freedom, and joy into their lives, Christian Scientists lift their voices in praise and acclaim, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14).

(In another column will be found a translation of this article into Norwegian.)



MOTHER AND CHILD: A Burgundian Sculpture of the Fifteenth Century

THIS LOVELY GROUP of Mother and Child, having come down to us all the way from the shadowy, mysterious Middle Ages, remains to delight and illumine our own time. At the Metropolitan Museum, in New York, we may still see it, styled in the catalogue: Burgundian of the Fifteenth Century; a sculpture in painted limestone which may have been the work of one Claus Sluter who was of Dutch descent. It was this artist, we learn, who brought the realistic movement in sculpture to its expression in Burgundy. We feel, even today, the delicacy, the tenderness expressed in his approach to the subject which has always been, and still is, the most precious subject which any artist may depict.

Now the sculpture shows faintly a variety of warm colors, for it has been painted over in different periods. The Virgin's hair was originally gilded, and partially covered by a white veil. Her mantle is blue and gold, lined with red; her gown blue with uneven traces of the red from a later over-painting. The Child's dress is green, patterned with gold. There is color still visible everywhere, even in the bench and in its cushion. Although the sculpture has received a few minor restorations, it is, on the whole, in remarkably fine condition. And, to those of us who have not seen it, it will come as a surprise that the figures are somewhat more than life size.

We feel the artist's religious ardor in the bending pose, in the clasp of that capable hand which holds the Child. Into his work, Claus Sluter poured his great love and veneration, and today, all these centuries after, we can savor and share his deep feeling. But possibly most strikingly impressive of all is the introduction of the book. The Virgin is holding it on her lap, yet it is the Child who is giving it more attention. It is as if he had found the most momentous passage and was pointing it out to his mother. In it we may, if we like, read a forecast of that saying of Luke, twenty-fourth chapter, twenty-seventh verse: "And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself." His small finger firmly marks the place and all we who follow after may profit by the lesson thus indicated.

Manger Song

Baby, baby, sleep awhile,
(The hour is late, the night is still.)
Rest safe, beneath your mother's smile,
(The star is bright above the hill.)
O little feet, how hard the road!
(The star above the hill is bright.)
O little hands, how great the load!
(Late is the hour, and still the night.)

O hush, you, your lonely part,
(Above the hill, the star, how brightly!)
To bear a whole world on your heart,
(How late the hour, how still the night!)
Sleep, then, for a little while—
(The hour so late, the night so still.)
Tonight, your rest and mother's smile,
(How glows the star upon the hill!)

SILENCE BUCK-BELLOWS

Gull og røkelse og myrra

Øversættelse av den engelske artikkelen i Kristian Videnskaps som finnes på denne side

ALLE KRISTNE følger en dyp glede i sitt hjerte i denne julestjens tid. Barn og voksne lytter med glede til den hellige beretning om Jesusbarnets fødsel. Hvor gjerne hører de ikke fortellingen om hans komme, som skulde bli den menneskelige forkynner av den alltid-nærværende Kristus-idee.

Evangelieberetningen forteller om vismennene som fulgte stjernen og kom og spurte: "Hvor er den fødte konge som nu er født? Vi har sett hans stjerne i Osten og er kommet for å tilbede ham" (Matteus 2:2). De søkte å finne Jesusbarnet, og da de fant ham, la de ned foran ham sine offergaver, "gull og røkelse og myrra" (Matteus 2:11).

Det var i 1866 Mary Baker Eddy, våre dagers profet, opdaget Kristian Videnskap. Hun grunnet sin åpenbaring av Sannheten på Kristi Jesu lære og gjerninger. Kristian Videnskap gir en åndelig fortolkning av Skriften, og setter derfor utallige mennesker i stand til å finne frihet for mangel og nød, tvil, mistro og materielle helbredelsesmetoder. Mrs. Eddy skriver i "Miscellaneous Writings" (s. 164): "For vismennenes syn kom denne åndelige ide om menneskets eller universets Prinsipp til syne som en stjerne. Til å begynne med syntes Jesusbarnet lite i dødelige sine; men fra åpenbaringens berg så profeten det fra begynnelsen av som Gjenløseren, som vilde bringe en vidunderlig manifestasjon av Sannhet og Kjærlighet."

En av de årsaker som fremkaller uro og omveltning i verden, er den stadige frykt for at der kanskje ikke vil være tilfredsstillende forråd til tilfredsstille alle behov. Liksom fortidens vismenn la ned gull som sin offergave til Kristus-barnet, byder Kristian Videnskap menneskene legge til sine materielle opptøyn av substans. Utbelemet av engstelse eller et begrenset utvalg erstatter Videnskapen forestillingen om mangel med den varige og stenne erkjennelse av Guds aldri opptøende gavmildhet overfor Hans skapelse.

universet innbefattende det individuelle åndelige menneske. Kristian Videnskap er bygget på den virkelige beretning om Guds skapelse som den er fremstilt i første kapittel av Første Mosebok. Der er mennesket skapt åndelig, som Guds eget bilde og lignelse. En skapelse som gjenkaller å være fullstendig og helt igjennom god. Menneskets behov blir tilfredsstillet av dets himmelske Fader uten avbrudd eller tvil. Den åndelige forståelse av Guds uopphørlige forsyning leverer ikke rum for mangel eller tvil om at der alltid vil være nok for alle.

Liksom fortidens vismenn la ned røkelse som sin offergave, byr Kristian Videnskap sine tilhengere legge til side overtro og vrangforestillinger angående Gud. Den fremsetter det kristelige videnskapsbegrepet om Gud som uendelig Kjærlighet, som ikke sender noget ondt eller nogen straff til sine barn. Den åndelige forståelse av Guds allgode nærverende godhet utfukter enhver mulighet for sted eller mangel for det onde. Når vi på denne måte leverer villfarelsen all nok, og myndighet, fortår vi at den er uvisshet. Etter som denne åndelige kjærlighetsbegrepet blir godgjort og demonstrert, lærer den som gir utrett, at det onde straffer seg selv, så lenge det utvæks, at det ender med menneskets avvekkelser, og det viser oppriktig anerkjennelse og forbedring, opphører straffen sammen med synden.

Siden Jesus tid har ingen politisk metode for helbredelse av sykdom vist seg å være så effektiv som den åndelige tilværelse av Kristian Videnskap, grunnset som den er på Kjærlighet, den åndelige helbredelses kilde. Liksom vismennene la ned gull for Jesusbarnet, byder Kristian Videnskap sine tilhengere om å legge til side enhver tilfukt til materielle helbredelsesmidler med ubetinget tro på at Gud, den allsmektelige Fader-Moder, vil alle lider av den ålmerkkelige Læge. Videnskapen er en slik tre ved den åndelige forståelse av det Kjærlige.

Øversættelse av den engelske artikkelen i Kristian Videnskap som finnes på denne side

This Year's Nativity Play

EACH YEAR we suggest that someone else do the annual Christmas play, and each year we relent and do it ourselves. We say it's a tremendous amount of work. It is! We say so many players are difficult to corral. They are. We fear that audiences are tired of the same old thing. We are wrong. Yet we look for some variation of the traditional form, a new story, perhaps, with new characters, whose devout or worldly spirit is deflected from its course until it is swept into the tidal wave of Yuletide feeling. Or a play centering around a shepherd who wanders between following the star or abandoning his lambs to the wolves. Perhaps the Wise Men tarry by a well, and regain their lost colts by a star mirrored in its depths. Or maybe the saints may step down from their niches and carry their own legends into a dramatic mingling of humor and wisdom.

But this particular year! How can we blow the trumpets of joy? We think we can't; but when we read again the second chapter of Luke, we found that the opening salvo of the angels was: "Fear not!" So we take down the old shabby Cruden's Concordance and begin arranging verses from the Gospels and the Prophets and King David. All we wished for is there, in heartening promise. These we shall give our verse-speaking choir to chant. Now for the action: the trilogy of the Child in the manger; the visit of the shepherds; the adoration of the kings. Our story shall be part sung, part chanted, on either side the platform by robed chorists. Between them, in all the beauty that light, color, and design can give, our action will ebb and flow.

The play must be sustained for at least half-an-hour, and even then a prelude of carol singing is required. Spectators must not be asked out on a snowy night and dismissed before they are even thoroughly warmed. We consider a prelude: Isaiah on his mystical watch tower? The visit of Elizabeth? We conclude to begin with the Angel Gabriel appearing to Mary, reproducing the Rossetti painting, while Arline with her lovely voice recites the Rossetti sonnet which goes with it. Then we darken out, slowly, and, while Virginia is singing a stanza from "O Holy Night," the stars are softly shining. We make ready for another tableau, Mother and Child and gentle Joseph.

Then it is midnight and the sleeping shepherds are awakened on their hillside by the tall beautiful apparition with a star; they rise and follow. The alleluia die away. Soft knocking is heard. The choir takes up some of Arthur Symonds' verses, and the starry angel leads the shepherds in with their ewe lamb, their pipes, and their bob of cherries. Off they go, to spread the joyous news, and Virginia's voice floats out from the velvet black with Gounod's "Nazareth." Our angel has sped secretly away and reappears, leading down the center aisle Caspar, Balthazar, and the dark Melchior. Presumably their entourage of elephants and camels are waiting outside. But little Nubian princes, slim and brown, attend them, carrying the gold and myrrh and frankincense. How decide between stressing the pomp of majesty, or the

profundity of the Wise Men? We work a transformation. The kings doff their crowns and lay them at the manger-side. They sweep off their jeweled robes and lay them on the floor. Then they take their attendants by the hand as they make their farewells; and, having come on in kindness, they go off in the brotherhood and the humility of the wise.

How complete our play? We can bring in the homeless of the world, the sons of every land who, if the Prince of Peace prevails, must some day kneel side by side. Or we can summon angels and more angels in soft Fra Angelico colors, with wings and haloes and harps. Meanwhile, as the singer is caroling the "Virgin's Lullaby," the scene is flooded with soft blues and a softer rosy light. The Holy Family rest in peace and trust.

The midnight hour comes. In the darkness, a bell strikes twelve. An anachronism, perhaps, but what has time to do with Christmas? The music goes into Bach's "Jesu, joy of man's desiring." Other and more mystical angels drift on, half-seen and wholly wonderful. Day dawns in amber warmth. There they are again, shepherds, kings, attendants and worshippers! The choir chants triumphantly: "Arise, shine! For the glory of the Lord has risen upon thee! O Jerusalem that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice!"

A pause, and a thrilling voice promises that the bruised reed shall not break, nor the smoking flax be quenched, and that the Prince of Peace shall not fail nor be discouraged until he has set judgment on the earth. Another voice chimes in, proclaiming that even on those who have dwelt in shadows, on them shall the Light shine. Then everyone, together, swings into the glorious verse from Isaiah that begins: "Unto us a child is born"; and, as it closes, the great "Adeste Fideles" soars upward.

So, it is over. Soft-eyed and silent, the players slip into adjoining rooms and divest themselves of their shining robes. They smile a little, but they cannot yet talk to each other. The audience, also hushed, rises slowly and moves homeward. Some of them are still singing, under their breath: "Come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem."

ESTHER W. BATES

Christmas in Capricorn

Sea and sky are silver-gray
And the metal-brightness of the day
Is too much for the eye, so that
One looks away.

The water, waveless and pool-still
Is torn, as with a sharpened quill,
Where darting swift-winged fish etch
With unconscious skill.

There is no coolness in the air,
Nothing to intercept the glare;
Unchallenged, heat and light hold
Session everywhere.

GODFREY YOUNG

Everything in Its Christmas Dress

FOR THE PEOPLE who were shovelling away on the housetops were jovial, and full of glee; calling out to one another, from the parapets, and now and then exchanging a facetious snowball—better-natured missile far than many a wordy jest—laughing

heartily if it went right, and not less heartily if it went wrong. The poulterers' shops were still half open, and the fruiterers were radiant in their glory. There were great, round, pot-bellied baskets of chestnuts, shaped like waistcoats of jolly old gentlemen, lolling at the doors, and tumbling out into the street. . . . There were pears and apples clustered high in blooming pyramids; there were bunches of grapes, made, in the shopkeepers' benevolence, to dangle from conspicuous hooks, that people's mouths might water gratis as they passed; there were piles of filberts, mossy and brown, recalling, in their fragrance, ancient walks among the woods, and pleasant shufflings, ankle deep, through withered leaves; there were Norfolk Biffins, squab and swarthy, setting off the yellow of the oranges and lemons.

The Grocers! O the Grocers! nearly closed, with perhaps two shutters down, or one, but through those gaps such glimpses! It was not alone that the scales descending on the counter made a merry sound, or that the twine and roller parted company so briskly, or that the canisters were rattled up and down like juggling tricks. . . . Nor was it that the figs were moist and pulpy, or that the French plums blushed in modest tartness from their highly decorated boxes, or that everything was good to eat and in its Christmas dress; but the customers were all so hurried and so eager in the hopeful promise of the day, that they tumbled up against each other at the door, crashing their wicker baskets wildly, and left their purchases upon the counter, and came running back to fetch them, and committed hundreds of the like mistakes, in the best humor possible; while the Grocer and his people were so frank and fresh, that the polished hearts with which they fastened their aprons behind might have been their own, worn outside for general inspection, and for Christmas daws to peck at if they chose. —From "A Christmas Carol," by CHARLES DICKENS.

Winter Evening

All day long
The snow has been scattering
Out of the dim air;
The sky is hardly overcast;
But a pearly gray
Except for a bank of clouds
In the far distance
Lighted by a stray
Shaft of sunlight.

No breath of wind
Stirs even the slenderest branch;
Long delicate twigs
Are utterly motionless;
Only a brisk robin
Dances and chatters
On a tree
Celebrating a joy
Known only to itself.

ROSE CHALLIS

What other such gift!

A young man starting overseas a few weeks before the first world war began was given, by a friend, a copy of the Christian Science textbook.

SCIENCE AND HEALTH with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

He was not a student of Christian Science, but he knew of what it had done for the friend and some others, and that the subject was attracting wide attention.

Through his first two weeks' study of the book that summer, he was healed of a chronic disease, and—although war was then beginning in the country where he was—found "the peace that passeth all understanding."

Later, in his military service, the teachings of the book continually protected and strengthened him; and they have since gone on helping him increasingly in every department of his experience.

Many a like story could be told of the giving of this book by friend to friend. Its priceless values are of course for all men, and its author refers to the millions who are ready to receive them.

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Roosevelt Christmas Message to Americans on All Fronts of the World

Eisenhower to Head Combined Forces In New U. S.-British Assault on Continent

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Dec. 24 (AP)—Following is the text of President Roosevelt's radio address to-day to Americans at home and overseas:

I have just returned from extensive journeys in the region of the Mediterranean and as far as the borders of Russia. I have conferred with the leaders of Britain and Russia and China on military matters of the present—especially on plans for stepping up our successful attack on our enemies as quickly as possible and from many different points of the compass.

On this Christmas Eve, there are over 10,000,000 men in the armed forces of the United States alone. One year ago, 1,700,000 were serving overseas. Today, this figure has been more than doubled to 3,800,000 on duty overseas. By next July, that number will rise to over 5,000,000.

That this is truly a world war was demonstrated when arrangements were made with our overseas broadcasting agencies for time to speak today to our soldiers, sailors, marines, and merchant seamen in every part of the world. In fixing the time for the broadcast, we took into consideration that at this moment here in the United States, and in the Caribbean and on the northeast coast of South America it is afternoon. In Alaska and in Hawaii and the mid-Pacific it is still morning. In Iceland, in Great Britain, in North Africa, in Italy and the Middle East it is now evening.

In the Southwest Pacific, in Australia, in China and Burma and India it is already Christmas Day. We can correctly say that at this moment, in those far Eastern parts where Americans are fighting, today is tomorrow.

Christmas Good Will

But everywhere throughout the world—throughout this war which covers the world—there is a special spirit which has waited our hearts since our earliest childhood—a spirit which brings us close to our homes, our families, our friends and neighbors—the Christmas spirit of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

During the past years of international gangsterism and brutal aggression in Europe and in Asia, our Christmas celebrations have been darkened with apprehension for the future. We have said, "Merry Christmas—Happy New Year," but we have known in our hearts that the clouds which have hung over our world have prevented us from saying it with full sincerity and conviction.

And even this year, we still have much to face in the way of further suffering and sacrifice and personal tragedy. Our men who have been through the fierce battles in the Solomons, the Gilberts, Tunisia, and Italy know, from their experience and knowledge of modern war, that marines and costlier battles are still to be fought.

But—on Christmas Eve this year—I can say to you that at least we may look forward into the future with real, substantial confidence that, however great the cost, "peace on earth, good will toward men" can be and will be realized and insured. This year I can say that. Last year I could not do more than express a hope. Today I express a certainty—though the cost may be high and the time may be long.

Within the past year—within the past few weeks—history has been made, and it is far better history for the whole human race than any that we have known, or even dared to hope for, in these tragic times through which we pass.

A great beginning was made in the Moscow conference in October by Mr. Molotov, Mr. Eden, and our own Mr. Hull. There and then the way was paved for the later meetings.

At Cairo and Teheran, we devoted ourselves not only to military matters; we devoted ourselves also to consideration of the future—to plans for the kind of world which alone can justify all the sacrifices of this war.

Of course, as you all know, Mr. Churchill and I have happily met many times before, and we know and understand each other very well. Indeed, Mr. Churchill has become known and beloved by many millions of Americans, and the heartfelt prayers of all of us have been with this great citizen of the world in his recent serious illness.

All on One Side

The Cairo and Teheran conferences, however, gave me my first opportunity to meet the Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek, and Marshal Stalin—and to sit down at the table with these unconquerable men and talk with them face to face. We had planned to talk to each other across the table at Cairo and Teheran; but we soon found that we were all on the same side of the table. We came to the conferences with faith in each other. But we needed the personal contact. And now we have supplemented faith with definite knowledge.

It was well worth traveling thousands of miles over land and sea to bring about this personal meeting, and to gain the heartening assurance that we are absolutely agreed with one another on all our major objectives—and

Roosevelt Message To Armed Forces

By the Associated Press

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Dec. 24. President Roosevelt told members of the nation's armed forces in his radio address today that in the hearts of the American people "are prayers for you . . . who fight to rid the world of evil."

"On behalf of the American people—your own people—I send this Christmas message to you in the armed forces," said Mr. Roosevelt. "In our hearts are prayers for you and for all your comrades in arms who fight to rid the world of evil."

"We ask God's blessing upon you—upon your fathers and mothers, wives and children—all your loved ones at home."

"We ask that the comfort of God's grace shall be granted to those who are sick and wounded, and to those who are prisoners of war in the hands of the enemy, waiting for the day when they will again be free."

"And we ask that God receive and cherish those who have given their lives, and that he keep them in honor and in the grateful memory of their countrymen forever. 'God bless us all. God keep us strong in our faith that the fight for a better day for human kind—here and everywhere—will win.'"

On the military means of obtaining them.

At Cairo, Prime Minister Churchill and I spent four days with the Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek. It was the first time we had had an opportunity to go over the complex situation in the Far East with him personally. We were able not only to settle upon definite military strategy, but also to discuss certain long-range principles which we believe can assure peace in the Far East for many generations to come.

Those principles are as simple as they are fundamental. They involve the restoration of stolen property to its rightful owners, and the recognition of the rights of millions of people in the Far East to build up their own forms of self-government without molestation. Essential to all peace and security in the Pacific and the rest of the world is the permanent elimination of the Empire of Japan as a potential force of aggression. Never again must our soldiers and sailors and marines be compelled to fight from island to island as they are fighting so gallantly and so successfully today.

Closing In on Japan

Increasingly powerful forces are now hammering at the Japanese at many points over an enormous arc which courses down through the Pacific from the Aleutians to the jungles of Burma. Our own army and navy, our air forces, the Australians and New Zealanders, the Dutch and the British land, air, and sea forces are all forming a band of steel which is closing in on Japan.

On the mainland of Asia, under the Generalissimo's leadership, the Chinese ground and air forces augmented by American air forces are playing a vital part in starting the drive which will push invaders into the sea.

Following out the military decisions at Cairo, General Marshall has just flown around the world and has had conferences with General MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz—conferences which will spell plenty of bad news for the Japs in the not too far distant future.

I met in the Generalissimo a man of great vision and great courage, and I have a keen understanding of the problems of today and tomorrow. We discussed all the manifold military plans for striking at Japan with decisive force from many directions, and I believe I can say that he returned to Chungking with the positive assurance of total victory over our common enemy. Today we and the Republic of China are closer together than ever before in deep friendship and in unity of purpose.

After the conference, Mr. Churchill and I went by airplane to Teheran. There we met with Marshal Stalin. We talked with complete frankness on every conceivable subject connected with the winning of the war and the establishment of a durable peace after the war.

Agreed on Every Point

Within three days of intense and consistent, amicable discussions, we agreed on every point connected with the launching of a gigantic attack upon Germany. The Russian Army will continue its stern offensives on Germany's Eastern Front, the Allied armies in Italy and Africa will bring relentless pressure on Germany from the South, and the encirclement will be complete as great American and British forces attack from other points of the compass.

The commander selected to lead the combined attack from these other points is Gen. Dwight D.

Eisenhower. His performance in Africa, Sicily, and Italy have been brilliant. He knows by practical and successful experience the way to co-ordinate air, sea, and land power. All these will be under his control. Lieut. Gen. Carl D. Spaatz will command the entire American Strategic Bombing Force operating against Germany.

General Eisenhower gives up his command in the Mediterranean to a British officer whose name is being announced by Mr. Churchill. We now pledge that new commander that our powerful ground, sea, and air forces in the vital Mediterranean area will stand by his side until every objective in that bitter theater is attained.

Both of these new commanders will have American and British subordinate commanders whose names will be announced in a few days.

German Future

The United Nations have no intention to enslave the German people. We wish them to have a normal chance to develop, in peace, as useful and respectable members of the European family. But we most certainly emphasize that word "respectable" for we intend to rid them once for all of Nazism and Prussian militarism and the fantastic and disastrous notion that they constitute the "master race."

We did discuss international relations from the point of view of big, broad objectives, rather than details. But on the basis of what we did discuss, I can say even today that I do not think any insoluble differences will arise among Russia, Great Britain, and the United States.

In these conferences, we were concerned with basic principles—principles which involve the security and the welfare and the standard of living of human beings in countries large and small. To use an American and ungrammatical colloquialism, I may say that "I got along fine" with Marshal Stalin. He is a man who combines a tremendous, relentless determination with a stalwart good humor. I believe he is truly representative of the heart and soul of Russia; and I believe that we are going to get along well with him and the Russian people—very well indeed.

Britain, Russia, China and the United States and their Allies represent more than three quarters of the total population of the earth. As long as these four nations with great military power stick together in determination to keep the peace, there will be no possibility of an aggressor nation arising to start another world war.

Unity Vital

But those four powers must be united with and co-operate with all the freedom-loving peoples of Europe and Asia and Africa and the Americas. The rights of every nation, large or small, must be respected and guarded as jealously as are the rights of every individual within our own Republic.

The doctrine that the strong shall dominate the weak is the doctrine of our enemies—and we reject it.

But, at the same time, we are agreed that if force is necessary to keep the peace, international force will be applied—for as long as it may be necessary.

It has been our steady policy—and it is certainly a commonsense policy—that the right of each nation to freedom must be measured by the willingness of that nation to fight for freedom. And today we salute our unseen allies in occupied countries—the "underground" resistance groups and the armies of liberation. They will provide potent forces against our enemies when the day of invasion comes.

Through the development of (natural) science the world has become so much smaller that we have had to discard the geographical yardsticks of the past. For instance, through our early history, the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans were believed to be walls of safety for the United States. Time and distance made it physically possible for us and for the other American republics to obtain and maintain our independence against infinitely stronger powers. Until recently, very few people, even military experts, thought that the day could ever come when we might have to defend our Pacific Coast against Japanese threats of invasion.

Unforeseen Menace

At the outbreak of the First World War, relatively few people thought that our ships and shipping would be menaced by German submarines on the high seas. It was a new and unforeseen menace that the German military leaders would ever attempt to dominate any nation outside of Central Europe.

After the Armistice in 1918, we thought and hoped that the militaristic philosophy of Germany had been crushed; and being full of the milk of human kindness, we spent the next 15 years disarm-

Eisenhower's Advance Attests Ability to Get Things Done

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower culminates a career virtually spent in Army khaki with his appointment as Supreme Commander of the combined United States-British forces which are to lead the new invasion of Hitler's "fortress Europe."

He was comparatively unknown to the public when he was sent overseas to London in 1942 to command the American forces in the European theater of war in World War II.

It was after discovery that he was slightly ill—in fact just beyond 20—for entrance into the United States Naval Academy, that General Eisenhower was asked an appointment instead for the United States Military Academy. Almost overnight, therefore, he switched his ambition to be a sailor, entered West Point, and was graduated in the class of 1915.

A reputation as a staff officer is generally credited with being responsible for his rapid rise through the Army to such a post of high attainment abroad. Beginning as an infantry officer, General Eisenhower early recognized the importance of mechanization and made special studies of co-ordination of land, sea, and air forces. He also was a pioneer commander of tank units and became a specialist on tank warfare.

Considered a thoroughgoing military man who played the Army first and his private life second, General Eisenhower, nevertheless, disliked war but is said to have become angry with people who declared that military men wanted war.

A hard-driving man who worked himself as much as his officers, General Eisenhower considered it a dull morning when he did not have at least two other Generals breakfasting with him. He frequently ordered other daily meals in his London quarters in order to save time.

The General served overseas in World War I, rising to the rank of Colonel. He resumed the grade of Captain, however, after the war. He attended the Fort Leavenworth Command and General Staff School where he was No. 1 man in his graduating class.

His succeeding record includes the post of Chief of Staff of the Third Army at San Antonio, Texas, and of the Ninth Army Corps at Ft. Lewis, Wash. For five years, 1935-40, General Eisenhower was under Gen. Douglas H. MacArthur as his Chief of Staff in the Philippines. Previously he had won the Distinguished Service Medal for his accomplishments with tanks. He also qualified as a pilot, earning his "wings" while in the Philippines.

Last April, 1943, General Eisenhower, then with the rank of Major General, was Chief of Operations with the War Department. Thus, in his post, he was chosen from a list of experts in every branch of the military services—an infantry officer who had the foresight to say that the Army with the best tanks and planes would win the next war.

While the Germans achieved so patriotically that the other nations permitted them—and even helped them—to disarm.

For too many years, we lived on pious hopes that aggressor and warlike nations would learn and understand and carry out the doctrine of purely voluntary peace. The well-intentioned but ill-fated experiments of former years did not work. It is my hope that we will not try them again. No—that is too weak. It is my intention to do all that I humanly can as President and Commander in Chief to see to it that these tragic mistakes shall not be made again.

There have always been cheerful idiots in this country who believed that there would be no more war for us if everybody in America would only return into their homes and lock their front doors behind them. Assuming that their motives were of the highest, even they have shown how unwilling they were to face the facts.

The overwhelming majority of all the people in the world want peace. Most of them are fighting for the attainment of peace—not just a truce, not just an armistice—but peace that is as strongly enforced and as durable as mortal man can make it. If we are willing to fight for peace now, is it not good logic that we should use force if necessary, in the future, to keep the peace?

Peace by Force If Needed. I believe, and I think I can say, that the other three great nations who are fighting so magnificently to gain peace are in complete agreement that we must prepare to keep the peace by force. If the people of Germany and Japan are made to realize thoroughly that the world is not going to let them break out again, it is possible, and I hope, probable, that they will abandon the philosophy of aggression—the belief that they can gain the whole world even at the risk of losing their own souls.

I shall have more to say about the Cairo and Teheran conferences when I make my report to the Congress—in about two weeks' time. And on that occasion I shall also have a great deal to say about certain conditions here at home.

But today I wish to say that in all my travels, at home and abroad, it is the sight of our soldiers and sailors and their magnificent achievements which have given me the greatest inspiration and the greatest encouragement for the future.

To the members of our armed forces, to their wives, mothers, and fathers, I want to affirm the great faith and confidence we have in General Marshall and Admiral King, who direct all of our armed might throughout the world. Upon them falls the great responsibility of planning the strategy of determining when and where we shall fight. Both of these men have already gained high places in American history, which will record many evidences of their military genius that cannot be published today.

Some of our men overseas are now spending their third Christmas far from home. To them and to all others overseas, I want to go overseas. I can give assurance that it is the purpose of their Government to win this war and to bring them home at the earliest possible date.

And we here in the United States had better be sure that when our soldiers and sailors do come home they will find an America in which they can

Victory Seen Before Another Yuletide; 50,000 Religious Services for Soldiers

By the Associated Press

From around the world today came confident forecasts of decisive victories for Allied arms before another Christmas rolls around.

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Allied Commander in Chief in the Mediterranean, had words of encouragement for those "soldiers who are fighting under deplorable conditions in each of the armies" in Italy. He expressed "tremendous respect" for their "magnificent work."

From advanced Allied Headquarters in New Guinea, Gen. Douglas MacArthur told the armed forces in the Southwest Pacific that "on this Christmas Day, the anniversary of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ, I pray that a merciful God may preserve and bless each one of you."

"You may face the new year with confidence," said Lieut. Gen. Jacob L. Devers in a Yuletide message to the American troops under his command in the European theater. "The enemy has been forced to take the defensive in every theater. Final victory no longer is uncertain."

In a like message, Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark told his Fifth Army that the battle in Italy would be advanced "with such acceleration and crushing force that once victory is achieved there will be no more Christmas spent in overseas combat."

"With God's help," General Clark added, "we shall make 1944 a decisively victorious year. . . . 'This Christmas of 1943 is in many ways the brightest one for us all since the beginning of the war. It marks the end of a year in which consistent progress was made on land, on the sea, and in the air in the process of closing in on our determined but gradually weakening foe.'"

Everywhere in a war-torn world, American fighting men

'Merry Christmas'—One Sign in Jerusalem

By the Associated Press

JERUSALEM, Dec. 24. There was virtually none of the traditional visual aspects of American Christmas in this city today—no colored lights along the streets, or Santa Claus or holly.

In Jerusalem, this writer found just one place which looked as though it might belong to Brooklyn, Memphis, or San Francisco. It was in a pharmacy on Julian's Way, not far from King David Hotel, and its windows were a field of imitation snow against which "Merry Christmas" in red and green letters threw a glow of welcome to the passing throngs.

will have an opportunity to attend Christmas religious services conducted by the Army's uniformed clergymen.

An estimated 50,000 services will be held Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, some of them in fox holes or shell craters for two or three men of advance patrols. Clergymen will go into wards of every institution and hospital where there are ill or wounded soldiers.

Soldiers assigned to missions against the enemy on the battle front will have an opportunity to attend religious services before they leave, the War Department in Washington said. Services for Army Air Force men will follow briefings for their missions.

In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Dec. 24 (AP)—Americans of all ranks—converging from battle stations in storied Persia, Syria, Egypt, Africa—

thronged with other humble pilgrims to this shrine of Christianity today to pay homage to the Prince of Peace.

The drama that has lived for 2,000 years was reborn again with intense reality for generals and doughboys, alike walking with visitors of all ages, dress and tongue to Gethsemane, to Golgotha, to Bethlehem.

Jerusalem and Bethlehem, blacked out by war for three Christmases, burst into candlelight from 10,000 windows as authorities lifted the restrictions this year.

Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce, Commander of American forces in the Middle East, Brig. Gen. Gilbert Cheves, his Chief of Staff, and others came here for worldwide broadcasts from the Church of the Nativity tomorrow night, bringing an enlisted men's choir of 60 voices trained for this occasion.

In New Caledonia

NOUMEA, New Caledonia, Dec. 24 (AP)—American servicemen in New Caledonia are staging Christmas parties for orphans, needy children, old folks, and even lepers.

Chaplains estimated that American troops had contributed at least \$15,000 to Noumea churches since they arrived on the island in March, 1942.

"Americans are far more generous away from home than at home," commented the Rev. Edmund Molloy of Somerville, Mass. The Rev. Edmund Marshall of Worcester, Mass., is directing entertainment for residents of the old folks' home for which the servicemen contributed large quantities of food and salvaged clothing.

In Far East

CHUNGKING, China, Dec. 24 (AP)—Lieut. Gen. Adrian Carton de Wiart, Prime Minister Churchill's special military representative here, predicted yesterday that the war in Europe definitely would end in 1944.

He declined to say when he believed the war against Japan would wind up, but said Allied air supremacy in the Far East would be "terrific" after Germany was defeated.

The General pledged that everything possible would be done to help China, and added:

"China's part in the war is very near to our hearts."

U. S. Fighters in Pacific Warn Against Letdown in War Output

By John Beaufort

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor With the United States Naval Forces in the Pacific

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii, Dec. 24—Nothing could be more damaging to the success of the crucial and decisive battles which lie ahead in the Pacific than for the American people to get the idea that the "peak of our war-materials production has been passed."

That is the essence of the reaction out here to Henry J. Kaiser's optimistic survey of United States war production. As quoted in a copyright interview in Honolulu Dec. 21, Mr. Kaiser said, "So great is United States productive capacity that the peak of our war-materials production has been passed before we've hardly begun to fight."

Fighting men in the Pacific agree with Mr. Kaiser that "we've hardly begun to fight." It is because of the long, hard war ahead that they point out that American industry must not relax its production for one minute.

More Transports Needed. The fact that the war in the Pacific has not progressed faster is accounted for to a considerable degree by the unavailability of sufficient numbers of ships and other essential materials in this area. The Pacific is beginning to receive enough combat ships, but still is short of transports.

Discussing the progress of the Pacific war recently, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz said, "Our obstacles will be not only the Japs. The geography and great distances of this greatest of all oceans will weigh heavily in our plans. Time and space factors and the availability of shipping to meet our needs will have as much influence on the calendar of war as the opposition we expect from the enemy."

At a press conference after the occupation of the Gilberts, Admiral Nimitz said, "Lack of transports and shipping is our bottleneck. It prevents us from going ahead as speedily as possible."

Big Ship Ahead. Anyone who has observed amphibious operations in the Pacific realizes fully the tremendous job ahead. Last month, the Central Pacific Command undertook its first land offensive—occupation of the Gilberts. To take a few square miles of coral atoll required the movement of men by the thousands, of trucks, tanks, jeeps, bulldozers, guns, and other mobile equipment by the hundreds—all transported thousands of miles in many scores of combat ships and transports.

Observers here by no means minimize growing strength of the United States in the Pacific. It is formidable enough today to conduct offensive operations in any Pacific sector. This strength is growing steadily.

But the farther offensive lines are extended, the more transport and combat shipping is taxed. According to one veteran, "We fought every battle from Guadalcanal to New Georgia on a shoe-string."

He repeated the opinion I have heard privately. Tarawa proved that what will be needed in the future are more and heavier ship bombardment and plane bombing.

In the words of an officer of the

'Yanks' Christmas in Britain Brings Cheer to Children

By Marjorie Cassels

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

LONDON, Dec. 24—For the second year thousands of British children are guests at parties arranged by American soldiers stationed in this theater.

For weeks many "Yanks" have been saving their candy, gum, and cookie rations in order to be able to give each child a package of "sweets," and to supply cookies and other food for tea.

Evacuee children from one of the blitzed towns were guests at the Air Service Command base number of transport plane arrived on the airfield and "Father Christmas" stepped out with a sack loaded with gifts.

Toys, Games, and Shillings. At one party held in the Town Hall of the blitzed London area, each child wore a gay paper hat, and on leaving the hall clutched a package of candy, a book, and game or toy from the huge Christmas tree. As they filed out, the clown wished each child a Merry Christmas and pressed a shilling in each little hand.

Everywhere in England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland, parties have been arranged for the children of dock and factory workers, and children in blitzed areas.

Many of the toys, such as model airplanes, ships, and tanks have been made from scraps of metal and wood by the American soldiers themselves. Huge bundles of toys have arrived from America, sent over at request of Americans here who asked their parents to send toys for British children instead of gifts for themselves.

Navy Does Its Share. Army and airmen have not been doing it all. The Navy is on deck too. Officers and bluejackets at a number of naval stations in Britain have entertained British children. A party of a different sort was given at the United States

Japanese Diet Convenes in Tokyo

By the Associated Press

New York, Dec. 24. The Japanese Diet convened in Tokyo today, according to Japanese radio and press reports recorded by U. S. Government monitors and reported to the OWI.

The reading of an Imperial rescript from Emperor Hirohito on the convening of the Diet was in order for today with the actual formal opening ceremonies scheduled for Dec. 29.

In the words of an officer of the

Republican Cortes Sought in Spain

MEXICO D. F., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Spanish Junta of Liberation last night asked democratic forces of the world to help make possible a reunion of the old Republican Cortes (legislative body) as a step toward restoration of the Republic.

The statement, signed by Diego Martinez Barrio, last President of the Republic, called for the first objective of the Junta was to get rid of the regime of Generalissimo Francisco Franco, the second was to prevent establishment of the monarchy and the third was to restore the Republic.

News of Art, Music and the Theater

A Saturday Page

Soviet Composers and the State

By W. H. Haddon Squire

The other morning "Eight Soviet Composers" arrived by post, with a letter of introduction from Gerald Abraham (London: Humphrey Milford, Oxford Press, 6s.). Prokofiev, of course, is an old friend and we have spent many long hours with Shostakovich—particularly in his "Leningrad." Khachaturian has already, many admirers; Shebalin and Kabelevsky we met recently at the Promenades, and the Society for Cultural Relations with the U. S. S. R. has acquainted us with Knipper; one recalls Shaporin by the broadcast of his symphony in 1935, but Dzerzhinsky seems still to be a stranger within our gates.

The jacket of "Eight Soviet Composers" tactfully explains that as a non-Communist Mr. Abraham takes a detached, though sympathetic, view of Soviet musical culture: "His aim is less to criticize than to give information, though criticism is by no means evaded"—and indeed is not.

Mr. Abraham's little book is especially valuable at the moment. It is recorded that before the war a foreign military attaché, after trying for months, completely failed to discover the basic rate of pay of a Red Army private. There is always something impressive about an individual who can hold his tongue, but a whole nation. . . .

Our ignorance of what was happening in musical Russia, however, arose not from concealment but indifference. As Mr. Abraham says, the Russians themselves made no attempt to push the sales of their scores and gramophone records in Western Europe, nor were they interested in the opinions and criticisms of musicians outside the U. S. S. R. The main characteristic of Soviet music, particularly of the last 10 years, he avers, is its self-centeredness: "It has a special problem or set of problems to cope with and is exclusively pre-occupied with finding the solution."

The toughest of these problems is, of course, the relation of the artist to the State. Plato throughout his life, it will be remembered, pondered over this teasing question. Always a great lover of art—the earliest critic of the fine arts and the first to preach "art for art's sake"—he later developed an enthusiasm for the State and "totalitarianism." How can that incorrigible individualist be fitted in?

The only solution Plato could see was, to begin with, to throw the poets out. Even they themselves never quite knew what they might be saying next, and the philosopher feared their questionable influence in his ideal state. The poets did not go into banishment alone. In the words of Walter Pater:

"What price would not the musical connoisseur pay to handle the instruments we may see in fancy passing out through the gates of the City of the Perfect, not because there is no one within its walls who knows the use of or would receive pleasure from them (a delicate susceptibility in these matters Plato, as was said, presupposes), but precisely because they are so seductive. . . . A whole class of painters, sculptors, skilled workmen of various kinds go into like banishment—they and their very tools, not observe again carefully, because they are bad artists, but very good ones. Art, as such, as Plato knows, has no purpose but itself, its own perfection. The proper art of the Perfect City is in fact the art of discipline. Music, all the various forms of fine art, will be but the instruments of its one overmastering social or political purpose. . . . they will be neither more nor less than so many variations, so to speak, of the trumpet call."

The variations of the trumpet call are naturally easier to compose and direct in an allegorical Perfect City or State than in an actual, imperfect one. The muses take a poor view of discipline unless

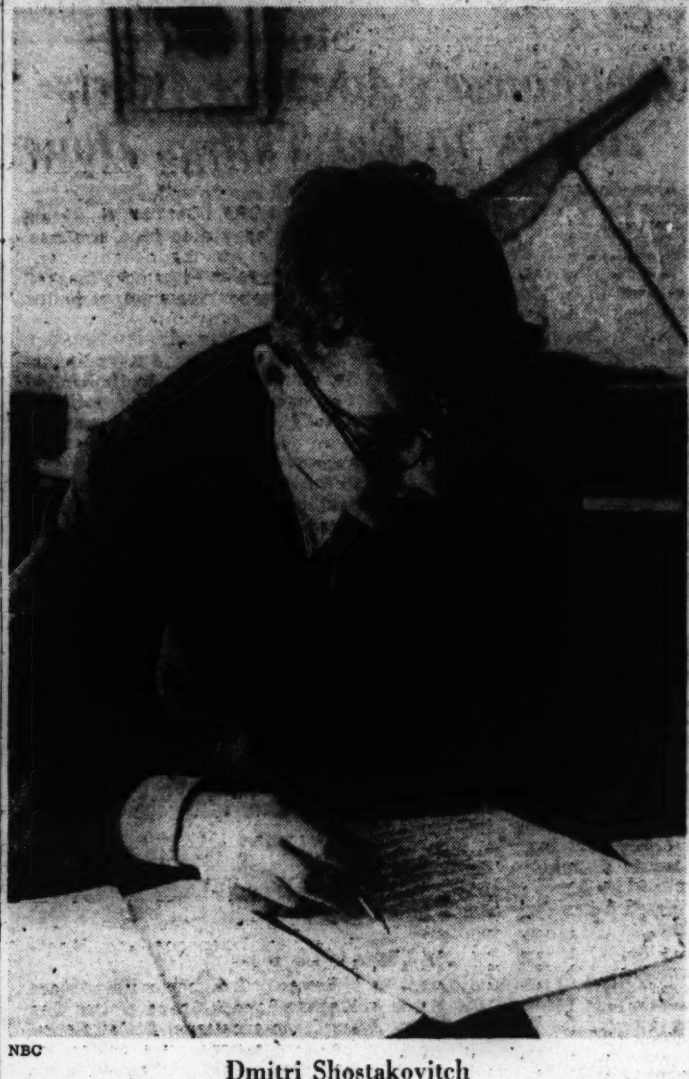
less it is self-imposed. For serving social and political purposes the muse of music is about as amenable an instrument as the domestic cat.

The cabalistic phrase "Soviet realism" epitomizes the official ideal. Mr. Abraham remarks that although "Soviet realism" could be defined and practised in literature, nobody to this day is absolutely sure of what "Soviet realism" in music really is. He tells us that the Soviet Government being a government of the people, "insists on music for the people, not music for intellectuals, for those with highly trained ears and sophisticated tastes. It insists that Soviet music shall be lyrical and melodious, that it shall be the expression of real feeling, and of joyous or heroic or optimistic feeling rather than of personal, subjective brooding."

In return, the composer is treated very handsomely. The Government commissions works on generous terms. Composers are entitled to performing fees; if their works are printed, to payment by the State music publishers. If the Soviet composer takes a holiday he is given financial help, if necessary. In Moscow there is a Composers' House, with its own concert hall, library and restaurants, where some 150 musicians can live with their families in sound-proof apartments. If the Government calls the tunes it is anything but stingy in paying the piper.

Practically, then, the only difficulty left to the composer is that of producing the "tunes." Are the new "tunes" of "Soviet realism" as good as the old "tunes" of Glinka, Moussorgsky, Tchaikovsky, Rimsky-Korsakov and Stravinsky? Few outside the U. S. S. R. will feel that they are.

One of the most interesting features of Mr. Abraham's book will be found in the many quotations he gives from Soviet music criticism. The values on which this criticism is based and applied are far more novel and surprising than any of the works one has heard, so far, of Soviet composers. Soviet music may be self-centered and self-sufficient; but, as Mr. Abraham points out, it is by no



Dmitri Shostakovich

means self-satisfied; on the contrary, it is intensely self-critical. His own criticism of the eight representative Soviet composers is frank, fair and sympathetic, and never loses sight of the crippling restrictions under which they work. There is talent enough, but even to a sympathetic observer too much of it is being wasted on mass listening. The composer is asked to flatter his listeners by ministering to their musical comfort. This, however, may be only a passing phase.

An Artist Views the War in India

By Jan Gordon

London

A recent exhibition of Contemporary Art invited its child visitors to express their preferences with, if possible, the reasons. One girl wrote: "I like Mr. Duffy best because he is the best describer that I have ever seen, he describes much better than I could."

If asked to isolate the chief characteristics of Duffy's painting, I would hardly have jumped to the notion of him as "a describer," and yet, judged by this childish perspicacity, I have realized that this is exactly what Duffy pre-eminently does. First he summarizes a broad generalization of the total-color ambience of the subject, over which he lays a whimsical, witty, nonchalantly calligraphic description of the objects in the scene. The result might not, indeed, be everybody's description of "describing" but Duffy's is, in fact, basically a descriptive and condensed to the highest economy of means.

The first war artist to achieve a special one-man show, "India in Action," at the London National Gallery among the war paintings, is Capt. Anthony Gross, who has followed somewhat in Duffy's footsteps, though by no means an imitator. Still he is the first artist of whom I know who has been able to draw his own profits from the witty Frenchman's very individual outlook. Like Duffy,

Captain Gross lays down a broad wash of generalized emotive color, descriptive only of mood and atmosphere. Into this he lays his summarized drawing, in the present case made with a rather fine flexible fountain pen, an excellent traveling medium. Such at any rate is the final impression, though actually the process is probably the reverse, the line coming first, the color later. The difference between the two artists then is that in Duffy the line is intended to define the color, while in Gross the color is meant to amplify the line.

The subject of this exciting cousin of Duffydom is "India in Action." To get his records, Anthony Gross had to adventure into the swampy jungle-labyrinths of Arakan, and from thence to Assam and the Naga and the Chin Hills. Many of these adventures are succinctly described in a foreword. "The Colonel wanted me to make a painting of an action his men were in a few days previously. He told me of the heroism of his men as they repeatedly attacked an impregnable position. He insisted on moving the camouflage away so that I could see more clearly. I felt very nervous even though he assured me that I was invisible from the other side." The resulting drawing shows the Japanese positions at Rathendang, but it shows no hint of tremor.

Sometimes Captain Gross was making drawings within 20 yards of the Japanese lines. Twenty days away from civilization, he and his party were cut off by the enemy, and had to find a new route, living on mountain goat with wild raspberries to vary the menu, while they made a march of 450 miles to get back. They arrived at last in a village that was en fête, and there found the terminus of a British jungle road and met a welcome jeep. Some of the best drawings are those done of the Chin mountaineers who preferred their muzzle-loading guns to modern rifles.

In his earliest work Anthony

Gross showed that he could draw with a keen wit of his own, but in the present series the wit is justly sublimated to the true purpose of the drawings—that of record. For this his combination of emotive color and descriptive line is admirably suited. In addition to the notable series of "Chins at War" such records as "Egypt, Casualties: the Overflow," "Sixth Gurkha Regiment," "Jammu State Mountain Battery at Laungchaung," "Indian Signaller Corps," "Wounded Jap and Arakanese Prisoners (Arakan)," and especially the dramatic drawing of an "overturned Buddha" in "Buddhist Temple Destroyed by Shell-Fire," would have been feats had they been made under the happiest conditions.

But perhaps the task for which he seems to have been intended by nature was that of recording the fighting and scouting in the jungle. In these drawings his sense of ambience and his imaginative grasp of foliage combined with the camouflaged soldiers, finds an almost perfect expression. With dull olive green and hot sienna washes he suggests vividly the darkness and steamy heat of these bamboo mazes. He is possibly the only British artist who could have given such expression to such experiences, for though the problem must have strained the medium to its full, Anthony Gross contrives to carry over both the sense of mystery and of reality. Sometimes, it is true, the color seems to be slightly automatic; but who could be expected to keep sensitive invention always at full pitch with a Japanese sniper possibly just round the corner? In a line drawing so complete in itself as "Captain Braund and His Levies" I would willingly have dispensed with the color, which here appears just hinderingly ornamental. But on the other hand, the effective painting of "Tiddim Garrison Police With Three Hakka Headmen Prisoners" is twice as lively because the color has become a true artistic extension of the drawing, one enhancing the other.

Verse Plays in Dublin

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Dublin

At the Peacock Theatre, the Dublin Verse-Speaking Society, directed by the poet Austin Clarke, has attracted capacity audiences with two verse plays, "Bluebird," by Mary Davenport O'Neill, and "The Plot Is Ready," by Mr. Clarke.

Mr. Clarke's "The Plot Is Ready" is a drama of conscience, based on a semi-historical legend in which Muriadach Mac Erc, High King of Ireland, neglects his wife for a woman of great beauty but of evil character. The play has some finely dramatic moments. The purpose of the Dublin Verse-Speaking Society is to bring back to the Irish theater the verse play as originally sponsored by W. B. Yeats. Incidentally it is producing chamber actors with trained voices and good articulation, and is also building an audience. Ria Mooney, of the Abbey Theatre, is the producer and the performances reveal the care with which she directs.

Several Dublin schools of dancing joined to give a week of ballet. Each school presented at least one ballet of native authorship and design with traditional music, or music by a modern Irish composer.

The outstanding Irish ballets were "May Eve," to the London-derry Air and Grainger's "Molly on the Shore"; "The Twisting of the Rope," based on Dr. Douglas Hyde's one-act play in Gaelic, with music composed by Eamonn O' Gallchoibhair (Edmond Gallagher), and "Good and Evil," an original composition by the same composer.

Among non-Irish items were "Les Sylphides," done by the Abbey School of Ballet, and Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" by the same corps. Czech national dances were also included, and the Theater Royal corps de ballet presented a turn in the Russian style to Liszt's Second Hungarian Rhapsody.

Ernest Dielman, formerly of New York and now of Quernavac, exhibited pictures and an example of sculpture in the new rooms of the Women's International Club. Especially interesting are his pictures in egg-yolk tempera. These pictures have a transparent, luminous quality; they have also, Mr. Dielman says, the advantage of great durability, with entire freedom from cracking.

Among his examples is a head of Dante's Beatrice, done against a background of Italian blue; also two characteristic Indian heads, one from Guatemala, one from Mexico. Among his drawings is one of Fritz Kreisler, made on shipboard. A sculptural sense of form is evident in his paintings, especially his "St. George and the Dragon," whose lines are sculptural in their distinctness.

There was some complaint that the orchestra was at times too loud. But since it did the best singing of the evening, those who knew the opera the best, and cherished in the memory occasions when it was sung as the composer meant it to be sung, may have been the very ones who found this overdominance of the instrumental part of the ensemble more welcome than otherwise.

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'Masked Ball' Revived

By Oscar Thompson

New York

As still another example of conductor opera, the Metropolitan's revival of "Un Ballo in Maschera" last week was better in its entirety than in its parts. With Bruno Walter in the pit, the Verdi performance repeated the story that was told only the week before when Offenbach's "Les Contes d'Hoffmann" was revived under Sir Thomas Beecham. The playing of the Orchestra was of a superior order and although the cast was not similarly superior the spirit of the musical leadership was caught and communicated by the singers.

"The Masked Ball" is 84 years old and has had occasional representation in the Metropolitan seasonal activities since 1889. But its performances have not totalled one-tenth of those for any of the three popular works which immediately preceded it in the Verdi series, "Rigoletto," "Il Trovatore" and "La Traviata." Last sung as recently as Feb. 28, 1942, its melodies—save one—were by no means recognizable as old friends and familiar by the run of the opera enthusiasts who filled the house for the revival, though of course there were veteran subscribers who could talk of the tenor's solos or the soprano's, the quietest and the finales as glibly as young vocalists could of the baritone's universally known "Eri tu."

But if "Ma dall' arido stelo divulsu," "Morrò, ma prima in grazia," "Ma se m'è forza," "Di tu se fedele," and even the page's "Saper vorreste," are just so many Italian titles for hundreds to whom the equivalents of various other Verdi operas mean recognizable and hummable tunes, "The Masked Ball" is typically Verdian in being an opera for great singers. Without remarkable voices, most of its reason for production vanishes. As in the case of "La Forza del Destino," which in its hands was pre-eminently an example of conductor opera, Mr. Walter's task was to make the orchestra seem more important than Verdi could have intended it to be, and to mold the singers into an ensemble of the limitations and shortcomings of the individual vocalists. He succeeded.

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action of "Un Ballo in Maschera" defies all efforts to make it convincing or more than half-way believable. Based on a drama by the indefatigable Augustin Eugène Scribe, "Gustave III ou le Bal Masqué," it leaves the onlooker to wonder what that play can possibly be like, without Verdi's vigorous and often delightful music to win and hold the attention irrespective of the stock operatic of the plot.

Surely there is no siller finale in all Verdi than the one that closes the curtain on an abandoned heath near Colonial Boston—in the Metropolitan version a snowy waste somewhere in Gustav's Sweden. But Samuel and Tom-toplity in their capacity of court conspirators, instead of Negroes they have often purported to be—laughed heartily and in strict time, with the chorus at their backs, and for most listeners Verdi's music was what really mattered.

The den of the fortune teller Ulrica was a very spacious den and the gathering there was quite a soiree. Ulrica herself was a Swedish voodoo woman, not a Negress—and as if to make this doubly clear the part was sung by the Swedish contralto Kerstin Thorborg. Whatever the lingering doubts of those who have seen "The Masked Ball" otherwise presented, the quintet in which Ulrica joins—"B. scherzo ed a. folia"—was one of the salient examples of an ensemble superior to its separate parts.

Besides Mme. Thorborg as Ulrica, the cast included Jan Peerce as Riccardo, Leonard Warren as Renato, Zinka Milanov as Amelia, Frances Greer as Oscar, John Baker as Silvano, Norman Corson as Samuel and Nicola Moscona as Tom. Riccardo is rather a heavy role for Mr. Peerce, but he sang his aria lyrically. Mr. Warren's powerful high tones caused the now familiar commotion, though his "Eri tu," much of it in a breathy mezzo-voice, was scarcely all that he intended it to be.

Mme. Milanov was in particularly good voice and her production more nearly what that voice—one of the most upliten in opera today—deserves, than is frequently the case. Mme. Thorborg's Ulrica has never been more convincingly sung. An erstwhile Muesli, Miss Greer added her light tones and fragile coloratura against the notes of the page's songs, often prettily but scarcely brilliantly enough to place her with the celebrated portrayers of this part in the past. Only Mmes. Milanov and Thorborg and sung in this opera at the Metropolitan before. The others were appearing in their roles for the first time.

AMUSEMENTS

BOSTON (STAGE)

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE
TWO WEEKS
BEG. JAN. 3—MATS. WED. & SAT.
MAIL ORDERS NOW!
SEAT THURS.
Even. \$2.75, \$2.25, \$1.65, \$1.10, \$0.50, \$0.25, \$0.10, \$0.05, \$0.01.
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MESSRS. SHUBERT present
EVERETT MARSHALL
THE STUDENT PRINCE
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PLYMOUTH—LAST TWO WEEKS!!— MATS. 2:30
THURS.—SAT.
ANNE NICHOLS' WORLD-FAMOUS COMEDY

ABIE'S IRISH ROSE
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Today's 2:55 P.M. Quotations on the New York Stock Exchange and N.Y. Curb

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Admiral (100)	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4

Today's sales (est.)	500,000
Prev. day's sales	580,480
1943 vol. to date	273,527,405
1942 vol. to date	119,688,405

Average Price of 60 Stocks	48.5
Thursday 48.5	48.5
Friday 48.5	48.5
1943 vol. to date	48.5
1942 vol. to date	48.5

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Stock Prices Mixed, With Trading Light

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Wall Streeters adjourned for Christmas today after having bought sparingly of selected stock market favorites and lightened commitments here and there for holiday protection.

Rails slipped at the start, as the Government prepared to take over the roads to avert a strike, but when hopes for a settlement of the steel labor dispute continued as a handicap although the belief persisted that difficulties here also would be adjusted.

While dealings were among the slowest for a 5-hour stretch in more than two months—transfers were around 500,000 shares—modest advances were well distributed when the final gong sounded and declines generally were in minor fractions. Rubbers, aircrafts and motors attracted bids.

American Distilling was up most of the time but the other liquor stocks were usually at a standstill. Hercules Motors and Omnibus Corp. were U. S. Rubber, Goodrich, Goodyear, Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Chrysler, General Motors, U. S. Steel, Douglas Aircraft, American Telephone and Montgomery Ward.

Electric curb performers were Electric Bond and Share, United Gas and International Petroleum. Small recessions were posted for American Gas, Cuban Sugar and Cities Service.

Rail Bonds Steady
Railroad bonds took the threat of government seizure of the roads in stride today, and while a few lost ground in late dealings, a majority held a steady course along with most other corporate loans.

Some of the Baltimore & Ohio were on offer in the final hour along with Erie 4s and First of Great Northern 3 1/2s. Most of the St. Paul loans were fully steady as were those of the Missouri Pacific and Rock Island.

High time earnings and rapid growth in some of the carriers in reorganization plans operating under trustees aided considerably in keeping the carrier loans on the advancing side of the market.

Decline of 15 P. C. In Mass. Factory Orders in November

Decline of 15 per cent in orders received by Massachusetts manufacturing concerns during November is reported by the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

Frank Y. Bump, who prepares the order index for the state manufacturers' association, commented: "In more normal times recession in November would be expected. The declining trend of the past six months, however, suggests significant changes, such as the curbing of government demand and 'cut backs' and the general fulfillment of requirements for production equipment for war material."

"The recession in demand is most noticeable in the metal trades section where orders appear to be almost a third less than a year ago, and it is evident in branches of that industry that have not been particularly affected until now."

"The one exception, and which may be of significance to this general trend, is found in a section of the metal trades comprising a few and widely scattered concerns, all showing increases, and which normally produce finished metal products that can be generally described as household goods, or durable consumer goods."

'Gas' Stocks Rise; Fuel Oil Stores Off

NEW YORK (AP)—Gasoline stocks in the United States increased and stores of light and heavy fuel oil decreased during the week ended Dec. 18, the American Petroleum Institute reported.

Gasoline stores were up 788,000 barrels to 72,725,000, compared with 71,937,000 the previous week and 71,417,000 a year ago.

Light fuel oil stocks decreased 1,393,000 to 45,530,000 barrels, compared with 46,920,000 the week of Dec. 15, while heavy fuel oil was 1,443,000 lower to 58,272,000. Production of the former was estimated at 4,387,000 barrels, against 4,686,000 the previous week and 4,811,000 a year ago. Output of the latter was 8,291,000, against 8,151,000 last week and 7,201,000 a year earlier.

Power Output Sets Another New High
NEW YORK (AP)—Electric power output again reached a new high of 4,612,904,000 kilowatt hours in the week ended Dec. 18, against the previous peak of 4,568,808,000 last week and 3,975,872,000 a year earlier, the Edison Electric Institute reported.

The Pacific Coast continued to lead in sectional increases with a gain of 31 per cent over 1942. Production of the country as a whole was 16 per cent above last year in the same period.

Other regional percentage advances were: New England, 17; Mid-Atlantic, 16.3; Central, 16.7; West, 16.7; and Rocky Mountain, 15.

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(Dollars and Thirty-seconds)

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A Saturday Page

Parents, Teachers
StudentsHere Are Some Quiz Games on Children's Books
For PTA or Holiday Firelight Fun

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Books may be fun. Besides reading them, one may talk about them, sometimes dramatize them, and always use the ideas of the finest for a more stimulating and helpful and joyous way of living.

The following question-games have been planned with the idea of doing two things: first, they may remind grown-ups of their own childhood joys in discovering glorious paths of the Realm of Books; and second, it is hoped that the remembrance will serve to stimulate parents to provide the

necessary transportation for the children they love.

"Ah, there you are, Heidi," we may be calling. "I see you, Christopher Robin." They and all the dear inhabitants of that realm—Mother Goose Land, Country of Fur and Feather, and all—may be holding outstretched hands, ready to amuse and lead us into the enchanted places that set our hearts to singing.

A glimpse is enough reminder. We are ready to enter the great portals, ready to fling open the pages for ourselves and our children, the pages that lead to innumerable delights, to the wells of wholesome laughter, and to refreshing glimpses of far-reaching horizons and understandings.

c. Spreading out their little wings to dry them in the sun.

d. They took some honey and plenty of money wrapped up in a five pound note.

e. Sailed off in a wooden shoe.

f. All beautiful and splendid things.

g. I dream them.

h. "There's a porpoise close behind us and he's treading on my tail."

i. Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

j. At my wee, small door;

GAME THREE: Give the names of the authors of the above lines.

GAME FOUR: Connect the character with his last name or description:

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| 1. Honk. | a. Crow |
| 2. Winnie-the-Pooh. | b. a cow horse |
| 3. Peter. | c. Sling expert |
| 4. Bambi. | d. The Moose |
| 5. Johnny. | e. baby in a reed basket |
| 6. Angus. | f. the little elephant |
| 7. Babar. | g. Christopher Robin's bear |
| 8. Smoky. | h. Rabbit |
| 9. Moses. | i. a dog |
| 10. David. | j. a deer |

GAME ONE: Match the book character with his or her author.

1. Mowgli.	a. Johanna Spyri.
2. Peter Pan.	b. Ludwig
3. Snip, Snapp, Snurr.	c. Belmans
4. Pelle.	d. Daniel DeFoe.
5. Little Black Jack.	e. Rudyard Kipling.
6. Heidi.	f. Maj. Lindman.
7. Robin Hood.	g. Carlo Collodi.
8. Robinson Crusoe.	h. Elsa Beskow.
9. Pinocchio.	i. J. M. Barrie.
10. Hansi.	j. Helen Banner-
	k. Howard Pyle.

GAME TWO: Match the first and second lines of these well-known poems.

- Here are the first lines:
1. Wynken, Blynken, and Nod one night
 2. The Owl and the Pussycat went to sea in a beautiful pea-green boat
 3. Wee Willie Winkie runs through the town
 4. "Will you walk a little faster?" said a whiting to a snail
 5. "Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
 6. Have you watched the fairies when the rain is done
 7. I cannot see fairies
 8. The Moon's the North Wind's cook
 9. Life has loveliness to sell
 10. Some one came knocking
- Here are the second lines:
- a. Upstairs and downstairs in his nightgown
 - b. He bites it, day by day

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Air Pilots Sponsor Girl Scout Wing Group

Special to The Christian Science Monitor
Coral Gables, Fla.

The Wing Troop of the Girl Scouts of America here is said to be the only one in Florida and the only Wing Troop in the United States to be sponsored by air-line pilots.

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When the troop was organized in September, the girls were looking forward to active participation in some branch of aviation. With the help of their sponsors a class had been arranged in aircraft mechanics which was to include ground and flight in actual planes. However, military authorities intervened. Troop-members were told they were too young, some of them being high school freshmen.

They turned to plane-spotting

Education a Duty

In the immediate present, a two-fold obligation lies upon all young men and women.

Each has the duty to prepare himself to bear the greatest possible weight of the country's burden. Each student must esteem the time which he or she is free to spend in college not as an easily assumed right, but as a period granted to young men and women that they may fortify themselves against the violence of battle, and against the deprivation and anguish which must surely beat upon those who remain at home.

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Glad Am I for Chimes

By M. L. Taylor

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Fortunate the child enriched by an awareness of the sound of bells—at Christmas time and at all times. In many an American town or city so few are the bells that probably most children today seldom think of them, and their parents are in the same state. Become conscious of the voice of bells and you will rejoice to hear them.

Before the war one of the special treats of the traveler in Europe was the glorious chiming of bells and playing of carillons from world-famed towers. Whenever I read, now, of an official protest moving the bells from some occupied town, I know that among the details of the postwar settlement must be the return of all bells possible. An Old World without bells seems an anachronism.

Looking back to days in Europe, it seems as if we were always listening to bells. There were the bells in Antwerp, whose notes closely we tried to con their pattern, and whose beauty of tone lingered to haunt the memory. There were bells in Bruges, in Brussels—all beautiful in that little country of singing-towers.

There were bells just beyond our window in Florence—Italian bells, which we could see plainly in the open lantern tower of the fawn-colored church. A man and a group of little schoolboys rang them in a disorderly series of peals, the schoolboys jumping up to swing on the ropes in "Hunchback-of-Notre-Dame" style. A gay sight and sound.

In Oxford, we would manage to be near Christ Church College just in time to hear Great Tom boom out his 101 strokes which signaled the nightly closing of the quadrangle gates. I can almost hear Great Tom's hum note yet, echoing among the colleges. There was a Great Tom at Lincoln, too, and a Great Peter at York. I wonder if our British friends are hearing them this week end. Big Ben, on the clock tower of the Houses of Parliament, has in recent years become a familiar sound around the world—and, thanks to the fact that my shortwave still works, is often heard booming through our living room. No bell tone seems exactly like it, nor more dear.

English village bells, though, are years.

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Mrs. Ala Story Surrounds Art With Comfort

By Ray Pierce

Written for The Christian Science Monitor
Though other women have run famous art galleries, few have been as enterprising and unorthodox in their presentation of works of art as Mrs. Ala Story, director of the American British Art Center, in New York.

Originator of the "club" idea in galleries, she founded the British Art Center in London in October, 1939, immediately after the war began. So many galleries were being bombed or folding up for lack of sustenance, that a refuge and meeting place for artists was sorely needed. Mrs. Story conceived the idea of providing them with a place in which to foregather and show their work in wartime London.

British Counterpart

George Bernard Shaw, J. B. Priestley, H. G. Wells and the late Sir Hugh Walpole sponsored the British Art Center. Prominent contemporary artists like Augustus John, Duncan Grant, Jacob Epstein, Frank Dobson, Henry Moore, Reginald Evans, and Sir Philip Connard, British court painter, were members and contributed to group shows. Profits from sales of paintings were used to purchase pictures for museums.

In January, 1941, Mrs. Story came to this country and transplanted the same altruistic motives to the American British Art Center, a nonprofit, noncommercial organization whose primary purpose is to bring the work of both British and American artists before the public. For a small membership fee they can not only exhibit their paintings, but meet their friends and transact their business.

Once a luxurious dressmaking establishment, the art center now provides a pleasant background for fine paintings and intimate chats between members. Everything, from the graceful stairway leading to the smaller second-floor gallery, the comfortable club chairs and sofas, to the neutral beige wall hangings and softly-diffused lights, contribute to the comfortable club atmosphere Mrs. Story has attempted to create.

When the gallery was first founded a rumor was widely circulated that it was created to feed hungry British artists and their families. Nothing could be further from the truth. The ABAC is neither political nor charitable. But it is doing an important job in cementing cultural relations between Great Britain and the United States. It is for this reason that leading citizens of both nations are backing Mrs. Story's venture. They include Lord Berners, Major Victor Cazalet, Lady Juliet Duff, A. P. Herbert, the Earl of Sandwich and Viscount Halifax among the Britons; and such noted Americans as Cass Canfield, Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Duncan Phillips, Homer St. Gaudens, and others.

Ferrets Out Talent

Blonde, rail-thin, with a caustic wit and far-ranging mind, Mrs. Story is noted for helping young, unknown artists. She likes nothing better than visiting back-alley studios and ferreting out talent, rather than waiting for it to seek her out.

She was born in Vienna not very long before the last war, the daughter of a commander in Kaiser Franz Joseph's Uhans. Her mother came from a noble Austrian family dating back to 960. One of her celebrated ancestors was the 12th-century poet, Hartmann von Ow. Her father passed on just before World War I.

He left his family impoverished. Mrs. Story's class was hardest hit by the war, but they bore their troubles quietly. It was considered bad taste to discuss your hardships.

Ala Story was one of the thou-



sands of Austrian children who were shipped on children's transports to be fed in England, Norway, Sweden and Holland after the war. She found herself "billed" with a Dutch family. A thin, demure woman when she left her native Vienna, she was sent back even thinner, for she was homesick she refused all food.

She studied at the Vienna Academy of Fine Arts, but after the stylification of painting from the same plaster casts three hours a day for five years, she decided she would never be a painter. Studying her work with the clear, objective eye that has since served her in good stead as a gallery "entrepreneur," she realized it was pretty bad. So she decided to further the work of other artists instead.

Profitable Visit
She went to England to study the language, intending to remain only five months. She stayed 14 years. Not long after her arrival she was drawn into the field for which her natural taste, discernment and enterprise, fitted her so well. Soon she was managing such top-drawer galleries as the Beaux Arts, Redfern, and Wertheim. She took over the amusing "Wednesday and Thursday" gallery which had been started by a wealthy Englishwoman.

Located in the basement of a Bromford Road dwelling, it had a dirt floor and hot-water pipes run-

ning across the ceiling. Despite its crude setting, this gallery had quite a vogue after Mrs. Story stepped in and opened it to daily visitors, under the new title of Storran Gallery. It finally outgrew its walls and was amalgamated with the Redfern Gallery, with Mrs. Story as director and the late Lord Alington as one of the financial backers.

Always quick to adopt unorthodox ideas if they will benefit artists, Ala Story has won a reputation for iconoclasm.

Recently, she managed to shock smart, dignified 57th Street, home of topflight art galleries, out of a year's growth. Transplanting a custom long-practiced by London's best galleries, she engaged a sandwich-sign man to advertise one of her exhibitions. The sandwichman wore a pair of shoulder signs designed by the exhibiting artist. He paraded down 57th Street, across Madison Avenue, avoided Fifth (strictly forbidden territory) and came back up Sixth. By this time 57th Street denizens had hung their heads heavenward at this breach of "good taste."

"What's good enough for Bond Street and Piccadilly ought to be good enough for 57th Street," countered Ala Story.

The war has, paradoxically, benefited artists in England and this country. "Art business is extremely good in both countries," she reports. "The American British Art Center has sold more pictures in the last six months than in the two previous years since it was founded."



Trude Fleischmann
(Above) A view of the ground floor of the American British Art Gallery, 44 West 56th Street, New York City, where Mrs. Ala Story (seated in the foreground, and also shown in the lower picture) has introduced the comfort and informal atmosphere of a club. It was once a luxurious dressmaker's establishment.

Woman Organist Reaches Throng Of Travelers With Her Music

By Barbara E. Scott Fisher

Special Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

"Oh, there you are—still playing the organ. It sure sounds good. Remember me?" And at the eager voice Mrs. Mary Lee Read looks up quickly from the keys of the organ on the balcony at Grand Central Station and smiles into the eyes of some lad in the armed forces who, after months at the front, returns on a fleeting furlough.

"Of course I do," she replies emphatically. "You signed my book, didn't you?" she adds hopefully.

"I sure did," the big sailor says a little bashfully. "May I see it?" And he reaches for the tattered old book of American Legion Songs which has been so covered up with names and messages that it has become a loved relic, even if Mrs. Read can no longer read the notes. "There it is," announces the sailor. "I signed it beside, 'Till We Meet Again'—that's my favorite."

And so it has been day in and day out for Mary Lee Read ever

since she reached the happy conclusion that music should be a welcome in railroad stations as anywhere else, and proceeded to get it there. Now with hands and heart she plays two programs a day on the organ in Grand Central Station. Her music seems particularly to search out the weary, the lonely and far-from-home boys in the armed forces. Single and in crowds they stand about the organ on the balcony of this bustling railroad terminal and join in singing or just listen.

"Six out of every seven sailors ask me to play hymns," said this genial, motherly woman, whose eyes light up with the joy of her work—which, by the way, is one of those self-made jobs that grew out of the last war. "A Navy officer who stopped to listen to the music the other day said as he was about to move off, 'I'm one of the men who have to take the boys down to the sea in ships—usually their first taste of the sea. There may be some atheists among them at first, but it's surprising how many of them believe in and trust God before the end of the voyage' was his comment. He also recalled a religious program which reached them one day at sea just as they were sitting down to mess. 'You could have heard a pin drop during the entire program,' said the officer."

Many Boys Grateful

Another visitor who called at the organ loft had just returned from months overseas where he had been buying prison supplies for the International Red Cross. "One thing I want to see and hear in New York is the organ in Grand Central Terminal," he said when he landed. "The boys never get tired talking about it and what it meant to them." And when he came, Mrs. Read recalled, he hadn't a word to say. He just stood, and listened.

"I can usually sense when the boys need cheering, and they seldom go away from the organ without a smile. Sometimes it takes a bit of playing, but it is well worth while. One of the boys wrote me that one thing he would like for Christmas was to know I was still at the organ, playing for the other boys as I had for him. He's getting his wish," Mrs. Read added as her fingers moved fondly over the keys, and a soldier rummaged through her music for another song.

"I feel there is greater need for music this Christmas than for a long time. Men who have been at the front are back on furloughs, but their thoughts are just as often with their buddies who haven't been able to get home, and they are not forgetting them. What impresses me is this unselfish spirit among the boys that wasn't in evidence when they came through before. Many of them ask for the little leaflet which I always have at hand for them—'Precious Promises.' It's called—comforting verses compiled from the Scriptures. Boys write me that they have memorized the verses, and all find great comfort in them."

Seemed Like Home

One of the boys remarked that the music made the vast station seem somehow just like home. Australians, Canadians and English boys nearly always ask for classical music—for Bach, Handel, and Schubert. The general favorite among hymns with them all is "The Old Rugged Cross." Second in demand with the men is, "In the Garden" whose familiar words, "He walks with me, and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own," are greatly beloved. Thirdly their choice swings to the latest verse of the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

The half-million people who pour through Grand Central daily see only a few of those who are beneficiaries of Mrs. Read's love of people and music. Twenty-three other railroad stations throughout the country now emulate the station in Denver where Mrs. Read introduced her first railroad station programs.

Read and Remembered—

By Helen Henley

My Revolutionary Years. The Autobiography of Madame Wei Tao-Ming. Wife of the Chinese Ambassador to the United States. (Charles Scribner's Sons, \$2.75.)

Writing with a skill which sustains suspense and a smoothness which carries the reader on effortlessly, Mme. Wei tells modestly of her often perilous exploits in behalf of China, the first of which she undertook in early girlhood. Her book is, as the jacket promises, "more than the life story of an

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Better Meals in Wartime. The Point-Saver Cook Book, by Lola Wyman. (Crown Publishers, \$1.00.)

One thing rationing has brought us which is definitely on the credit side: ever so many good recipes have been put into print which might otherwise never have been so generously shared. This book presents substitutes, extenders and economies which open pleasant new recipe possibilities for anyone getting somewhat tired of her present rationed repertoire.

Paradox Isle, by Carol Boche. (Alfred A. Knopf, \$2.50.)

During fourteen years in Japan as an agent of the Military Intelligence Division, this American woman undoubtedly sent back to our country reports which must be of military value today. For her book, however, she has selected incidents from every-day life in Japan which reveal what she calls

fat. Add other ingredients and heat thoroughly. Place in greased casserole. Cover with baking powder biscuit topping. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Serves six.

Polish Woman's Wish

"My Christmas wish for the United States is that the leaders of this remarkable country may see clearly the great danger that lurks in balance of power politics—a way among nations which has kept Europe bleeding for so many years. And may God preserve them from signing any secret alliance, because America is meant to be a friend and enjoy the friendship not of a few powers but of all the peoples in the world."

Helen M. Benedict
Editor's Note: Mrs. Benedict, a native of Poland, is now living in the United States with her husband who was formerly U. S. C. A. Secretary in Krakow, Poland. They returned to this country in 1946 and have a son in the U. S. Army Air Corps.

Powdered Eggs Made Appetizing

London
British housewives are coaxing hard-boiled eggs from lend-lease packets. But hard-boiled is just one of the many fancy dressings in which 72,000,000 powdered eggs from the United States turn up at British tables each week. Omelets, pancakes, scrambled eggs, croquettes, saucers, eggs Mornay—all start as the ship-saving American powdered egg.

The British shell-egg ration

which varies from one a week each person in season, to one a month out-of-season, is usually reserved for plain boiling.

To hasten disappearance of the "stewed knitting" which some caterers offer as omelets, chefs from famous London restaurants recently gave demonstrations at the Ministry of Food.

"More American dried egg is to be released by British caterers this winter, so part of the demonstration is to go on a provincial tour."

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Baked Yams
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Assorted Rolls—Butter or Margarine
Berry Cobbler
Biscuits Pudding
Hot Beverage or Milk

Breakfast
Baked Apples
Oatmeal and Cream
Shredded Eggs and Bacon
Whole Wheat Toast
Orange Marmalade
Butter or Margarine
Hot Beverage or Milk

Lunch
Vegetable Plate with Poached Egg
Whole Wheat or Bran Muffins
Butter
Apple and Cider Salad
Cottage Pudding with Lemon Sauce
Milk or Buttermilk

Dinner
Grapefruit Juice
Baked Fish
Creamed Mixed Vegetables
Baked Potato
Baking Beans
Milk or Buttermilk
Hot Beverage or Milk

Homestead Beets
2½ cups cooked beets, diced
½ cup top milk
2½ tablespoons prepared horseradish

Teaspoon salt
Heat beets, milk, horseradish, and salt. Mix lightly. Serve hot. Serves 6.

Washday Meat Pie
½ cup diced celery
½ cup diced onion
½ cup green pepper, chopped
2 cups leftover, diced roast
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2 cups gravy (supplement with white sauce, if necessary, to make 2 cups)
Brown raw vegetables in hot

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Ice-Capades Open in Hub On Saturday

By Gordon Campbell

The Ice-Capades of 1944, acclaimed as more lavish, more spectacular, and more enchanting than ever before, will open before a capacity house at Boston Garden tomorrow night for an extended run that will last through Jan. 12.

Former favorites will be back once again to capture public fancy while many newcomers have been added to the cast to present a well-rounded three hours of comedy, romance, and pure skill.

Lavishly costumed production numbers set the keynote for this fourth edition of Ice-Capades, with the mood of the spectacles reflecting the tempo of the times. Two of them are timely patriotic numbers called "Semper Fidelis," a tribute to the United States Marines, and "Flight to Victory," a salute to the men and women building our fighting planes. In the Flight number, the cast of 152 assembles a replica of a B-25 Tokyo Bomber on the ice.

South Sea Romance

A third spectacle is called "Song of the Islands," which is a South Sea romance in pantomime and synchronized with words and music. This is a sequel to the "Toys for Sale" number initiated by Ice-Capades of last year and its finale sees the planting of multi-colored flowers under Con-to-Glo lights to simulate a mythical Shangri-la of the South Seas.

Heading the cast again is lovely Donna Atwood, the former U. S. junior singles and senior pairs champion who landed with such a thud on the professional skating world in Ice-Capades of 1942. With her are many favorites including Joe Jackson, Jr., and his collapsible bicycle; Orrin Markhus and Irma Thomas, the "Old Smoothies" whose graceful rhythm never fails to bring down the house; Red McCarthy, who does a new interpretive ballet called "The World in Chains"; Rosemary Stewart and Bob Dench, the precision skaters who will be making their last appearance together for the duration here in Boston, for Bob leaves for the Army Jan. 7; Phil Taylor and his stilt skating; Thixie and her bag of tricks; Louis Dworshak and her modern dancing; the Benoit sisters; and Al Surette, the comedian.

List of Newcomers

Almost as long is the list of newcomers, who include Nate Waley, twice world's champion; Eleanor O'Meara, Canadian and North American champion; young Marilyn Quinn, who might have been a titleholder if the championships had not been canceled for the duration; 16-year-old Jamie Lawrence, Donna's new partner; Eleanor Meister, Ted Meza and Joe Setta.

Because of the shortage of manpower the line girls, or "Ice-Capets," have been augmented to 75, mile the "Ice-Cadets" have

Talent and Beauty Combined



Champion With Ice-Capades

Eleanor O'Meara of Toronto, new addition to the Ice extravaganza which opens at the Garden tomorrow night, has won so many honors that she has been awarded a life membership in the exclusive Granite Club of Toronto. Among her many titles are senior lady singles champion of Canada in 1936 and '38, senior Canadian pairs champion in 1941 and '42, North American pair champion in 1941 and '42, Canadian fours champion in 1942, and Canadian ladies champion and Canadian and American Gold Medalist.

Bears No Longer Favorites In Football World Series

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (P)—Half a hundred boys who won't be home for Christmas will be busy Sunday doing the same thing the Chicago Bears and Washington Redskins football teams have been doing three of the last four years—meeting in pro football's "World Series." Only this time the Bears aren't quite the hasty favorites as in other years.

In 1940 the Bears supported their favorites' rating with a record 73-0 assault on the Redskins. In 1942 the Chicagoans were heavy

favorites, only to fall victims of a 14-6 upset. Even that didn't quell the cheers of the Bears' noisy backers. And when the Chicago and Washington teams met during the regular season this fall, the Bear fans boisterously acclaimed their team as the better one by a mile.

Redskins Won

Only it wasn't. Not by two touchdowns. Washington won, 21-7, the only defeat for the Bears this season. Now Chicago grid fans are sitting tight expecting a close game Sunday when the National League stages its delayed title game in Wrigley Field.

The state of the nation's security being what it is, it is permissible to say things are so chilly around Chicago that the Bears have been working out in an indoor roller rink. The Redskins haven't braved the temperatures here yet, being quartered at Purdue University at Lafayette, Ind., and wondering if their equipment will arrive in time for at least one full-dress workout.

But the statistical steps are stirring up fires with facts from the season designed to show once again the Bears have a neat edge over the Redskins in performance—not enough, mind you, to risk tossing out the term "favorite" on the Chicagoans, but just sufficient to show they could be the winners Sunday because of more ability.

The Bears chewed up the turf for 1,656 yards rushing this season to Washington's 1,038. They made 2,510 more by passing, to Washington's 2,046.

Clark Starred
Harry Clark accounted for a good chunk of that Chicago yardage with 556 yards, followed by Dante Magnani with 510, Gary Fagiolini with 229, Ray Nolting with 209, and Ray McLean with 127. The Washington power men were Andy Farkas with 327 yards, Bob Seymour with 327, Wilbur Moore with 231, and Frank Seno with 152.

The league's official recount on passing early next spring no doubt will credit Washington's Sammy Baugh as the circuit's best, based on completions.

But Chicago's Sid Luckman completed 110 out of 202 for a record 2,194 yards and a record 28 touchdowns passes. Bob Snyder added another 116 yards. Baugh hit 133 out of 239, but for only 1,754 yards and 22 touchdowns passes. George Cafego collecting another 258 yards and Leo Stasica 34.

That virtually makes the Chicagoans the favorites—except for the statistical items 14-6 and 21-7, the scores by which Washington beat the Bears the last two times they met officially.

National Hockey League
—Goals—
Montreal 13 2 2 29 83 38
Toronto 10 9 2 23 95 97
Boston 9 8 2 21 95 97
Chicago 10 9 0 20 30 30
Detroit 7 8 3 17 65 73
New York 2 15 1 5 61 103

Result Dec. 23
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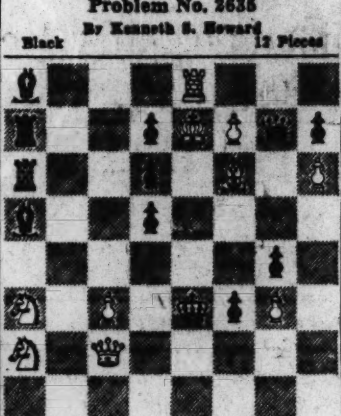
Connor Captain
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By the Associated Press
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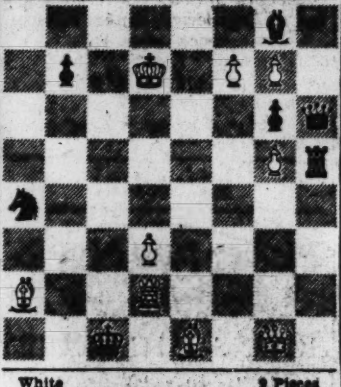
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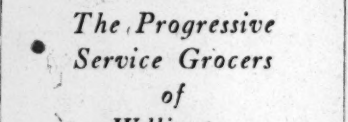
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'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Did You
Ever Wonder

How Inner Tubes Can Be
Made Without Rubber?

A new chem-elastico or elastoplastic substance has been developed recently by the Glenn L. Martin Company. This substance, which has been dubbed Marvinox, bears no chemical resemblance to rubber either real or synthetic—yet it offers distinct advantages in fields previously ruled by rubber, such as the making of inner tubes, rubber gloves, etc.

The basic ingredients of this new material are coal, air, salt and water. It retains its elasticity, resiliency, and flexibility in spite of exposure to air, sunlight, acid, and alkaline solutions, and it resists temperatures ranging up to 250 degrees Fahrenheit. As a material for use in the manufacture of inner tubes, it offers several advantages. If used throughout the industry, it could release over a million pounds of rubber a month that now is used for inner tubes. Furthermore, Marvinox inner tubes could go for months without need for the motorist to check his air pressure, for (unlike rubber) this substance is not porous and does not permit the gradual loss of air. In a test run in Baltimore, a Marvinox inner tube retained full inflation and showed no evidence of wear after 8,000 miles of summer driving. Another important advantage offered by this new material is

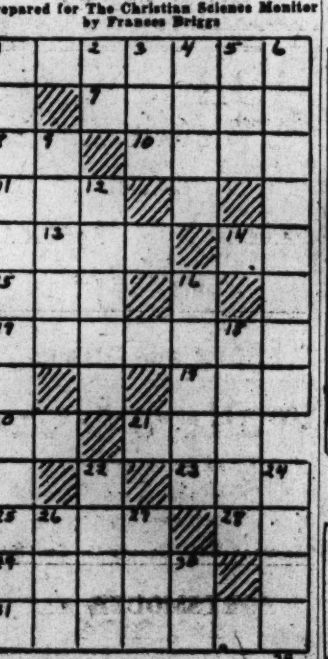
INGREDIENTS IN MARVINOL

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the fact that (also unlike rubber) it does not have to be vulcanized or heated and compounded with sulphur. It is made by kneading a white powder between the hot rollers now used in rubber plants. Then, after being fed through an extruding machine and cut in proper lengths, it can be molded by heat alone without any vulcanizing. This means that Marvinol is 100 per cent reclaimable. When too badly worn or damaged, the old tube can be melted down and reprocessed.—W. P. Kinsley.

Crossword Quiz

Prepared for The Christian Science Monitor
by Frances Briggs



Across
1—Wellington is what?
2—According to Anne, what creature made himself absurd by dancing?
3—From where does the wind blow at U. S. (abbr.)?
4—How would you describe the brim of a sombrero?
5—What is what?
6—What do you call an old man who roars not?
7—Where is California (abbr.)?
8—Paul.
9—Who is considered "father of the Continent"?
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Tarawa, Ireland, Etc.

In the climes of the icy North,
And the lands of the cane and the palm,
By the Alpine rafter's blazing hearth,
And in tropic belts of calm,
Men just tonight the welcome swells,
Sweet and clear, of Christmas Bells!

—Author Unknown



Drawn by Dutton
"Now maybe your Aunt Hattie will take the hint."

My Secret
Ambition

Share your "Secret Ambition" with our readers in this new feature. If it's on the humorous side, it's all the more acceptable. Limit your contribution to less than 50 words. One dollar will be paid for each printed item.

From weary Christmas shopper E. T. Boston, comes this one: "My annual Secret Ambition, still unattained, is to start in January to collect the things I'd like to give to my friends and continue the practice through the year, so that when Dec. 1 comes all I'd have to do is wrap and send my gifts."

My ambition for years has been to put on a one-woman show by reciting my original poems to our local Woman's Club. I've wanted to look into their rapt, upturned faces, believing they were saying to themselves, "We've had a genius among us all the time, and we never knew it."—N. R. T. Whittier, Calif.

"My Secret Ambition," writes Mrs. J. M. Q. Robson, B. C., "is to invent a radio attachment so that it will record in the studio, in front of the microphone, the number of radio sets turned off during a program. This method, I believe, would discourage disagreeable programs."

Another contributor with an inventive turn of mind is Mrs. V. Q. Glendale, Calif., who says: "I'd like to invent invisible windshield wipers for eyeglasses; a machine for popping out hot biscuits, something like the popcorn or doughnut ones; purse-size walkie-talkie sets, with which to tune in anyone anywhere on earth for conversation; might as well have it so they can see each other while at it."

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Father: "I don't think so much of that toy bank you bought little Willie for Christmas."

Mama: "What's the matter with it?"

Father: "I tried for three hours but couldn't open it!"

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"That's all right," came the answer, "I walk on them myself."



This Is Christmas!

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Several months ago, in a local home for aged women, a little 84-year-old lady with a talent for tatting received a large order for her delicate handiwork.

The task was completed a short time before Christmas. After the little lady had carefully measured the yard upon yard of gossamer material to make sure that she had rendered full measure, she carefully wrapped her merchandise, and went to the city to mail it to her patron. She reflected with deep gratitude that the money for her weeks of patient labor would arrive just in time to pay for the simple gifts she wished to purchase for Christmas.

But, on the way to the post office, she stopped to make a purchase at a large department store, and there lost her package. A sympathetic friend inserted an ad in a local newspaper offering a reward for the return of the package, and immediately a local newspaper published a story about the incident, and offered an additional reward.

Secretly had the ad announcing the loss appeared in the newspaper when gifts of money began to pour in upon the grieving woman. With one gift of \$5 a woman wrote, "This is my Christmas gift to myself," while another wrote that she had begun taking up a collection among her friends to completely cover the loss, and would guarantee to deliver the full amount not later than Dec. 20. And so, out of seeming ill-fortune, comes good fortune. And the little 84-year-old lady in the old people's home will enjoy a very, very merry Christmas, thank you!

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Editorials

To Arm the People

Alone among the Great Powers opposing the Axis, the United States has not experienced the horrors of invasion or bombing. Its greatest morale problem is how to evoke from citizens who are enjoying apparent safety and unprecedented prosperity the same spirit of sacrifice that the Chinese, the British, and the Russians have displayed. Washington is trying to do it once more with what has been called a "psychological bombing," a prediction that a ninety-day period will bring 500,000 American casualties. The purpose is good, the method questionable. The American people have seen and heard much about their own diplomatic and military victories and the marvels of their own production effort. Now through release of the hitherto restricted film, "War Department Report," they are going to get something of the other side of the picture. From captured films they are going to see how Japanese planes took off to strike Pearl Harbor, how the Germans rescued Mussolini and glimpses of the enemy's weapons and production efforts. They will see, as words can never show it, the strategic advantage he enjoys in an interior position, and the unbelievable quantities of supplies the Allies must move to distant fronts.

This it seems to us is a far better way to arouse the people than by vague predictions of tripled casualties. Americans who can go along—through such films or through factual reporting—to see what the boys on the battlefronts and the supply fronts are having to do will more purposefully buckle down to their own part of the job. Repeated forecasts of heavy casualties were made by President Roosevelt and by Secretary Stimson before the Tunisian and Sicilian campaigns, only to be disproved by the event.

The present estimates are based on expectations of an early opening of the second front. Military men believe that in this operation British and American troops will meet more difficult conditions than they have faced. But they cannot fully outline the shape of the fighting to come. It does not have to be like Dieppe. Indeed, informed observers believe Hitler's "fortress" can be cracked from within. No one can say what is impossible with paratroop divisions and some of the secret weapons the military men have promised, particularly if the undergrounds have been armed and can deliver airports and railways.

The military men may feel that they must be prepared for the worst. And in his broadcast today the President explained that "The war has now reached a stage where we shall have to look forward to large casualty lists." Certainly selfish apathy or boastful ignorance has no right to expect the best. But a right purpose has often proved a shield and buckler. God's power to protect those seeking to do His will is not bordered in space by the banks of the Red Sea or in time by the day David met Goliath. Certainly no religious person need helplessly accept these predictions of heavy losses. And those on the battlefield or the home-front who want to be prepared, will arm themselves not with fearful forecasts but with an unselfish desire to free the oppressed and an informed purpose to establish justice.

Trees Without Buyers

Free-spending Americans who have murmured not at the high and fancy prices of the times have at last called a halt. They refused to buy overpriced Christmas trees.

Speculators who saw big profits in the ceilingless 1943 Christmas tree market were set right back on their high heels. Thousands of trees shipped into Boston, Los Angeles and other cities by the carloads to be sold at two and three times their normal value remain stacked outside of stores as if rooted in the sidewalk.

It's the first time since Americans began pocketing wartime earnings that there has been any evidence of a revolt at mounting prices.

Speculators had taken it for granted that the war worker and his money are soon parted. They were wrong when it came to Christmas trees. In Los Angeles, trees that were originally priced at \$1.50 a foot sold as low as 25 cents a tree.

Prices of other articles would drop to their normal level, too, if the American people would refuse to purchase overpriced material. This instance should be a warning to profiteers, and a hint to Americans of the power which they possess to help stabilize the whole economic picture. If they would only exert it.

Orders to the Railmen

That the Federal Government would seize the railroads in event of strike has been clear from the first rumblings of trouble 15 months ago. That the legal papers for such a move have been prepared, and that plans have been projected for the transfer of management, is not surprising.

The question is simply whether the rail workers, or a substantial group of them, believe they can obtain more by working for the Government than they can from what the Government will permit the private owners to give them. It remains now for the President to make it unmistakably clear that there will be no better deal for the men under Government management than under private management.

Such action probably would cause the unions to accept his offer of arbitration, an offer some rejected because of his allusion to the "law of the land." In other words, the unions knew they would get only what remained within the Little Steel Formula, and that is what they wish to breach.

The rail unions make a mistake in pressing their case at this time. It angers the people and arouses anti-labor sentiment. The point some rail leaders fail to grasp is that while many Americans do not decry an increase in rail wages, or even deny the justice of an increase in view of higher living costs, they do understand, also, that the issue extends far beyond rail workers.

Not only would it mean \$250,000,000 a year in purchasing power added to the inflationary gap, it would very likely sooner or later enter into rail rates and affect the price of nearly everything. The rail leaders are not in position to assess accurately the inflationary effects, and consequences, of their demands.

The men best placed to see all sides of the problem are the men directing the anti-inflationary effort, which is to say the President, Mr. Byrnes and Mr. Vinson. These men are not enemies of Labor. They are the authorized commanders in a critical economic war.

Hard as it may be, unjust as it may seem, the rail workers must accept the orders laid down by these commanders. Only thus, at this moment, can they best serve their Country, the cause of Labor, and themselves.

Soldiers and Skylarks

An American soldier, stationed with his outfit in England, writes home to his family living near Boston that, during the last Spring and Summer, he heard for the first time the "joyous and clear and fresh" voice of the skylark as it spiraled heavenward. And he had heard the nightingale, too.

For such soldiers, many lines of English poetry will now have a new meaning. In their home on the western side of the Western Ocean, where neither bird is known, they could hardly imagine what avian raptures inspired Shakespeare's "Hark, hark, the lark at heaven's gate sings," or feel something of the mood of Keats who, listening to the nightingale, "light-winged Dryad of the trees," finds himself too happy in its happiness.

Indeed, American soldiers in England, on the way to their grim errand, have enjoyed what has been denied to many an American traveler who, in happier, far-off days, has spent a summer's vacation in Churchill's island. Less than half a dozen years ago a Boston couple rambling through England kept their eyes and ears open for both larks and nightingales, but all in vain; they heard neither the one nor the other. As for the nightingale, that bird, so far as singing goes, shuts up shop about mid-June.

The skylark, however, from all accounts, sings all summer long, beginning with dawn and continuing intermittently until sundown. Apparently, like some humans with glorious voices, it is temperamental, not singing every day in every rural setting. Up and down the lovely English land these travelers went, through all the counties of Hampshire and Devon and Dorset, hoping against hope, until they were tempted to cry with Shelley, "Bird thou never wert."

And so they came back to their native land, determined to try again some day. But war is no respecter of skylarks, or nightingales or bird-lovers. The Bostonians will have to forfeit to their soldiers the joy of hearing these songsters. Not every soldier, to be sure, is interested in them, though we hope that he will not emulate the farmers of the southern shires who are said to throw their boots at nightingales, they are so "fed up" with their roundels.

"Under His Wings Shalt Thou Trust"



Free Speech on the Air

By James Lawrence Fly

Chairman, Federal Communications Commission

In a talk before the Radio Executives Club, New York City

In the modern world, freedom of speech is not enough if it is not complemented by freedom to listen—which can be defined broadly as access for the general public to what is said by means of the mass medium for the dissemination of ideas and opinion—the radio. Here in the United States, . . . listeners are shackled by a few outmoded conventions which in reality the industry should never have inflicted on its audiences. . . .

One such restriction is the ban imposed by some stations and networks on the sale of time to groups and organizations and the discrimination against such groups or organizations imposed by others. Thus co-operatives, small business men's associations, labor organizations, and all sorts of other groups find it either difficult or impossible to buy time on the air. . . .

A second restriction on free speech over the radio is the new but widespread ban against solicitation of memberships over the air. Time can be bought for the sale of shoes and soap and sealing wax, cigarettes, beer, institutional good will, and cathartics. But time can't be bought or received gratis for the solicitation of memberships—except, of course, by mutual insurance companies. The very nature of the exception emphasizes the censorious quality of the rule. . . .

I sometimes wonder what Samuel Adams and Tom Paine would have said, what scorching phrases their pens would have devised, to describe a restraint on free speech which would have prevented them from soliciting members for their libertarian organizations before the American Revolution. . . .

One argument urged in favor of banning the sale of time for discussing controversial issues is that the radio is not merely a vehicle for free speech; it is also a means of amusement and entertainment, an advertising medium, a musical instrument, and many things besides. If time is sold for controversial discussions, it is asked, how can radio continue to fulfill these other functions? The answer, of course, is that selling time for the discussion of controversial issues does not mean selling all the time on the air for such discussion, or selling time for more discussion than the public wants to hear. If there is one principle more firmly established than any other in American radio, it is the principle of a well-balanced program. . . .

A second argument frequently raised against such sale of time is that the best financed groups would buy the most time, and hence that radio would become an instrument serving only one side of each issue—the side with the most money. I know we can, and must, rely upon the basic principle of fair and well-rounded discussion which I am sure radio is attempting to accomplish. . . . Station licensees must inevitably exercise discretion, in order to insure that radio shall become the tool of no special group or interest. . . .

The ban against selling time for controversial discussion serves to limit the time available for such discussion. When station managers—and advertisers—determine how much classical music and how much jazz, how much news and how much comedy to weave into their balanced program structure, building up a wide listening audience is their sole concern. But when they must determine how much time shall be donated for free discussion, another element necessarily enters in—the need of revenues. Advertising revenue is the rock upon which the American system of broadcasting is built. Revenues must be broad enough and firm enough to support the entire broadcast system. The maintenance of broad, firm revenues necessarily limits the time which can be donated free of charge to discussion or to anything else; it especially limits the choice hours which can be donated. . . .

Clearly, the best way to eliminate this restraint on free discussion is to remove the ban on time sales. This need not mean, of course, that free time is to be refused for controversial discussions. This type of program is desirable and lack of broadcast in-

come should not be a reason for denying listeners. . . .

In addition to the obvious danger I perceive in the treatment forum programs are likely to receive, there is an additional danger in the hand-outs of free time. The poor relation who gets the free time cannot hope to attract the attention that the time buyer builds up with his day-by-day bombardment. Furthermore, admitted to this inner sanctum because he has a product to sell, the buyer of time has in some cases injected his own philosophy into his program. At times it is subtly done; at other times it is quite obvious; at all times such propaganda should be properly labeled. We, as Americans, believe that to judge the validity of anyone's arguments, we have the right to know for whom he speaks. A symphony program with fifteen minutes of sponsored philosophy is objectionable to a good many listeners who have tuned in for the symphony. . . .

So clumsy an attempt at indoctrination, undesirable as it is, does not equal the more insidious tactics of injecting the sponsor's ideas into a news broadcast as "news." The stealth with which some so-called commentators can move from the field of legitimate news into an appeal to the great virtues of the company and its principles and its ideas leaves all but the critically-minded unaware of what has overtaken them. . . .

Still another question in regard to free speech is raised by the recent discussion of the policies of one network regulating the expression of the views and opinions of its news analysts. Personal opinions should not, of course, be aired in the guise of news; but, assuming competency, if the statements are properly labeled as opinion, I can hardly see the reason why they should not be aired. . . .

I, myself, find several difficulties with limitations on commentators. The first is our old friend, free speech. It is a little strange to reach the conclusion that all Americans are to enjoy free speech except radio commentators, the very men who have presumably been chosen for their outstanding competence in this field. . . .

The ban on free comment by news analysts places them, and the radio industry, at a serious disadvantage vis-a-vis the newspapers and other media. . . . Any policy that requires these men to mouth second-hand opinions serves no purpose. . . .

One point should be made clear—these are not Government problems in the first instance. They are primarily problems for the industry itself to face and to solve in the best traditions of American free speech. . . .

Mirror of World Opinion

Why Not Equality for Women?

Women in the United States suffer severe legal disabilities because of different State laws that make them and their property subject to their husbands' control, deprive them of authority over their children and limit their ability to earn their living. There is no good reason why this should be. . . .

The National Woman's Party wants to end these disabilities with an amendment to the Constitution providing that men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States. This seems like such an obvious piece of common-sense justice that it is strange to realize the women have never been able to get a vote on it in either branch of Congress. . . .

One trouble is that not all women have favored the amendment. Some have professed to see more value in "protective legislation" fixing certain wage rates and hour limitations for women. But the wage-and-hour law pretty well took care of that matter, and bans on night work for women have become archaic in the last few years. . . .

With talk of the Four Freedoms in the air, this seems a logical time to debate the equal-rights amendment and permit the States to vote on it.—New York World-Telegram.

What About Postwar Plans?

An Intimate Message From Washington

By Richard L. Strout

It was my privilege some time ago to hear and talk to one of the returned travelers from Russia, a man who had conversed with Stalin himself. The thing that impressed me in his report was the absolute confidence of the Russians that after the war they can make their system of production work. They have seen ignorant peasants and farmers, in a land of untold wealth and resources, turned into skilled industrial workers and disciplined soldiers and build up such a reservoir of power that it could meet and hurl back the German armies that had overrun all the rest of Europe. . . .

When the war ends, Russian production is not going to stop. Russia is not going to fall into a business stagnation from lack of invested capital or because of government uncertainty. That is one thing that you can tie to in the postwar world: Russia is going ahead, its cities are going to grow, its factories expand, its trade increase, and its wealth per capita swell and swell. . . .

It will be a very strange world if Russians have full employment, while on the other hand in the United States bad administration permits another depression to occur, and breadlines form again in Detroit and the returned soldiers beg for jobs. Whether we like it or not, the Russian challenge is going to be constant and persistent, but there is no need to be apprehensive about it. Most economists believe that bold measures in capitalist countries can lick postwar unemployment and depressions. Apprehension by timid people is really a confession of lack of confidence in democratic processes to achieve a goal that admittedly can be achieved by regimented peoples. . . .

Yet democracy can meet the challenge without boldness. No one dares to think what would happen if we asked the men of our present army to start selling apples on street corners because we couldn't supply them with postwar jobs. There is more danger in postwar timidity than in postwar audacity. What is disturbing in the situation is the feeling still evident in some circles that the same old era of business cycles and depres-

sions, underproduction and unemployment is going to come back after the war. . . .

Till recently, the stock market has been having a series of "peace panics" because of apprehension that war contracts would end suddenly, and the profits be taken out. This is understandable in a way, but it does not argue any too much confidence in the way demobilization is going to be handled. It makes an ugly overtone in the thought of peace. . . .

Then again, in looking through the record of the first session, 78th Congress, just concluded, one finds a rather alarming absence of constructive planning for postwar problems. The Beveridge report caused a great stir in Britain, but the similar "American Beveridge Plan," sent to Congress by the National Resources Planning Board, caused hardly a ripple. In fact, Congress turned around and abolished the Board. . . .

Mr. Roosevelt on April 27 sent a report to Congress recommending a \$7.7 billion Federal-State-local public works program to provide a buffer against postwar economic recession, and on May 24 Mr. Roosevelt asked authority to spend \$85 millions to prepare for "a rapid start" upon restoration of peace. Congress hasn't acted. . . .

On Sept. 29, Mr. Roosevelt wrote Majority Leader McCormack of the House urging quick enactment of a river and harbor authorization bill to provide a public-works backlog to furnish transitional jobs in a peacetime economy. These projects take a lot of advance engineering. So far, Congress hasn't acted. . . .

It is true Congress set up its own special committee on postwar planning last March, with Walter F. George (D), of Georgia, as chairman. Presumably, this committee will take over the work of the defunct NRPB. It did not open public hearings till last month. The difficulty here, as always with Congress, is that it is not the agency of government best suited for formulating detailed programs. Postwar planning in Washington, such as there is, chiefly deals with war contracts. The bigger, long-range problems have so far attracted little attention. . . .

Sober Thoughts

Down the Middle of the Road

By Erwin D. Canham

Americans approach 1944, which may well be the world's great year of decision, in a mood of almost unbelievable inconsistency. . . .

On the one hand, about 10,000,000 of them are under arms, making noble sacrifices, and on the other hand a railroad strike—incalculable potential blow to the war effort—is actually threatened. . . .

On the one hand, millions of mothers and fathers, wives and loved ones, are superbly supporting the Nation's effort, and on the other hand greed and selfishness run rampant in farm and factory, counting-house and Congress. . . .

We have still not discovered, for our domestic resolve, the moral equivalent of air bombardment or invasion threats. We are still a people three thousand miles or more from war. We are still a nation wallowing in a great industrial boom, in unprecedented prosperity. The resultant buying orgy of this Christmas season was grotesque and embarrassing. Most shelves and counters are stripped as bare as if a horde of locusts had descended upon them; leaving misfits and rejects. A Christmas boom was the last thing we needed to stabilize our economy. . . .

Moreover, we are still a grievously over-optimistic people. The recent Moscow, Cairo, and Teheran conferences seem to have made people all the more certain of an early ending of the war. Yet sober analysis shows the cross-channel invasion still some months off, a Russian break-through into really crucial German territory unlikely, saturation bombing of the Reich still a long way from being thorough and perhaps not even up to schedule, the Italian campaign still in heavy going, and the road to Tokyo long and painful. . . .

It seems, too, that we have had several misfortunes that the people have not fully realized. Germany apparently was in a rather tough spot two or three months ago, after the Sicilian campaign and the Russian bursts along the Dnieper, Germany, in effect, was dazed and perhaps even tottering. But we—Russia, Britain, America—were unable to press our advantage. The Germans reformed their forces in Russia, prevented an Italian débacle, and girded themselves internally for a winter of bombing. We apparently missed another boat. . . .

Perhaps as the New Year opens, the

American people will realize how much of their task still lies ahead. Perhaps the selfish pressure-groups which have worked their will on Congress will find their hold weakened by the protesting voice of the voters. Perhaps the strike threats will lessen, and the means of controlling war profits will become more workable. Perhaps the Administration will realize that its primary wartime duty at home is to achieve the highest possible degree of internal unity. . . .

There is one key to the whole situation. It is especially appropriate to think of at the Christmas season. It is unselfishness. For selfishness is the one outstanding source of our present troubles. There is political selfishness, and economic selfishness. There is greed for power, and for riches. Labor and capital, politicians and propagandists, are all equally cursed by it. . . .

Wars were never won, nor stayed won, on such bases. The United States, it seems evident, needs a serious moral awakening. That awakening will come, and speedily, when people listen to the message that comes from their men in service at the world's far corners. Americans are being supremely unselfish today. Americans are making great sacrifices. They are achieving noble deeds. But for the most part they are the Americans who have come to grips with their problems under fire, and have turned to God. There are a great many of them: the Americans manning the Navy and the Merchant Marine, the Americans flying the skies everywhere, the Americans slugging through the jungle swamps of the South Pacific and the muddy mountain tracks of Italy. Mammals do not fly in a B-17 over Bremen nor wade at dawn across coral beaches. Men at those times turn to God. We need this awareness of God in the halls of Congress, in the labor union councils, in the corporation offices. Our problem is as simple—and as difficult—as that. . . .

Today officials are predicting vast American battle casualties, saying that is the one thing that will awaken the Nation. Must we take this fatalistic view? Is there not enough moral conscience in the stay-at-home part of the Nation to rouse our dormant awareness? Must we not, at least, shout our clarion call day and night until all shall hear? The need is very simple, very clear. It is: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God. . . ."

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The Arab World Looks West

By Derek Patmore



Wide World
KING IBN SAUD

SAUDI ARABIA, a vast country nearly the size of India, is a coming power in the Middle East. It has recently given oil concessions to the Standard Oil Company of America, which are expected to be among the most valuable in the Middle East, and the country may be rich in other minerals. Its King and ruler, King Ibn Saud, is undoubtedly the greatest personality among the Arab rulers and his second son, Emir Feisal, has just visited the United States for the first time. He also paid an official visit to Britain, and when I was granted a special interview with him it took place in his suite at the Dorchester Hotel, London.

Emir Feisal, Viceroy of Mecca and

Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia, is a tall young man with an aquiline nose and great dark eyes which seem veiled half the time he is talking to you. He carries himself with a graceful dignity, like all Arabs, but he gives the impression of power and forcefulness, and in his own country he is known as a great warrior. The people who know him well say he will be a worthy successor to his father, and undoubtedly he is a shrewd observer of world affairs.

When asked about his impressions of wartime England, Emir Feisal replied: "I visited England just before war in 1939. Then everyone was still thinking of peace and I was struck by the peaceful atmosphere. I felt that the people wanted peace above everything. Today I notice a tremendous change in spirit. The British people think and work only for victory. Now they are fighting for peace—and not for domination or territorial gains." One of the Emir's British friends told me the Emir had been tremendously impressed by what he had seen of the British and American war effort, and especially by his visit to the bomber command station, which had made a deep impression on him.

Talking about the oil concessions to the Standard Oil Company, he said: "We first granted concessions in 1933. Since 1938, large oil deposits have been discovered and great refineries have been built by Dhahran. A great future is predicted for these oil wells, and I think this concession will strengthen my country's economic ties with America. The development of our oil industry will greatly help the country, especially in developing agriculture, which is still the people's main occupation."

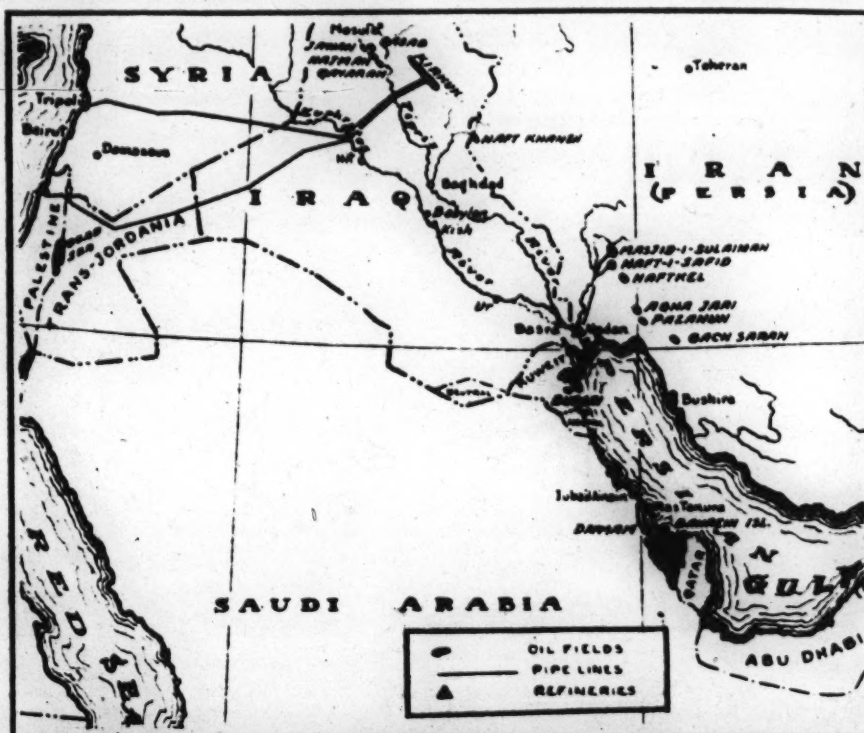
Regarding the economic future of Saudi Arabia, he said: "Saudi Arabia is known to possess minerals and I hope that, in the postwar period, American and British

engineers will come and help us exploit them. My country needs development and we will always welcome the help of Britain and the United States."

Discussing the probable effect on the population of Saudi Arabia's new industries, he said: "I don't think industrialization will change the Arab. He is protected by his religion and by his customs. But we need more money for education, and these new industries

will help us get it. The Government has already started many new schools, but I want to make Mecca again, as it was before, a great cultural center as well as a great religious one. We are training Arab teachers in Mecca, but we need many more."

All the world is talking about the possibility of an Arab Federation, so I asked Emir Feisal his views on this subject. He replied: "The Arabs are one and, personally, I believe all the Arabs want and hope to unite politically, but there are many difficulties which will have to be overcome first. We may fail if we attempt to create an Arab federation too quickly. At present the Arab states vary in their situations—some are independent, others



SAUDI ARABIA'S OIL FIELDS at Dammam on Persian Gulf May Equal Those of Iran and Iraq. Map From "This Fascinating Oil Business," Courtesy Bobbs-Merrill

only semi-independent, and this fact alone creates many problems.

"I believe the best way to work toward federation is to begin with education first. Then we must remove the commercial barriers between the Arab countries. It will all take time and, naturally, the whole Arab world looks toward America and Britain to help us obtain an eventual federation. During my visit to America—it was my first—I found a new comprehension of the Arab question. It was most encouraging for the future."

Being a famous soldier in his own country, Emir Feisal had some interesting views on the reorganization of the world, following peace.

Replying to a question, "Has Your Highness any views on the military setup and power of organization in the Middle East in the postwar world?" he said:

"Personally, I think the Near and Middle East will follow the system which the great powers will create to secure the peace of the world. Countries like my own may organize small armies for their own security, but I feel that if we are going to have peace in the future we must have some kind of international army and air force. Naturally, this international force must be strong enough to check and punish any would-be aggressor. Small nations may need armies for their own safety, but the present war has shown that bravery is not enough and that modern warfare is a question of equipment and machines. The Arab soldier is naturally brave, but he would be helpless unless equipped with the latest armaments. An international army is the only way to guarantee world peace."

The son of the ruler of Saudi Arabia has traveled far from his own country. He has studied and observed the West. He has witnessed the tremendous power now in the hands of the democracies. But he has observed us shrewdly and well. Just before I left, he smiled and said: "We Arabs have many wise sayings and when I first saw America and its skyscrapers it reminded me of the following: 'A nation is known by its works.'"



ARABIAN PRINCES GREETED IN WASHINGTON—Center: Prince Emir Feisal, Viceroy of Mecca and Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia. Right: His Brother, Emir Khalid, Shakes Hands With Adolph A. Berle, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State. The Princes Inspected Irrigation Projects in the American Southwest Before Returning to Their Native Country by Way of London

She Blazed the Trail for Women's Rights

By O. K. Armstrong

IN A DINGY CHICAGO HALL in 1854 a hostile crowd gathered to hear a young lady speak on "The Emancipation of Women." The hall was packed with grim-faced men—and a few women. With quiet dignity, the speaker stepped to the front of the stage. She noticed that many of the men carried paper sacks—and she knew what that meant. Smilingly she began:

"Ladies and gentlemen, I am Susan B. Anthony, and I have come to plead for greater freedom for my sex."

A man's voice interrupted her: "Tell us, Miss Anthony, should women wear the pants?"

There was a roar of laughter. A hoodlum shouted, "Why don't you get a husband?" That was the signal. From all over the hall rotten vegetables and eggs showered upon and about the lone woman on the platform. Susan Anthony wiped some of the mess from her face and clothing, and continued her speech without a trace of fear or anger. Earnestly she pleaded for a fair hearing. The hall became quiet. Many in the audience slunk away. A few remained to talk to her after the speech.

"It was a good meeting. We are spreading the light!" was Susan's report to her fellow crusaders back in her home state of New York. It did not surprise her to be pelted with vegetables and eggs. It had happened before, during the six years this Quaker schoolteacher from Rochester had been spreading the light of this new movement for greater freedom for women. Everywhere—from editors, ministers, politicians—she met with torrents of ridicule and abuse. But she had determination hard as steel.

While teaching at Hardscrabble, N. Y., in 1848, Susan Anthony read of a woman's rights convention at Seneca Falls. It was the first meeting ever held to demand legal and political rights for women. Elizabeth Cady Stanton of Troy and Lucretia Mott of Philadelphia were the leaders; William Lloyd Garrison and a few other liberal-minded men were present. The meeting was a trumpet call to Susan. "I have come to enlist," she told Mrs. Stanton. For 58 years after that Miss Anthony devoted her keen, penetrating mind and her vigorous body to this crusade, with tireless energy, vibrant enthusiasm and courage unsurpassed among all who have blazed the trails of social progress. It was the longest, most persistent personal campaign ever waged, and finally the most gloriously successful.

Every President from Lincoln to Theodore Roosevelt clasped the hand of this dynamo of crusading zeal and heard her plead her cause. She spoke from more public platforms than any other woman in history. She lived to see many of her proposed reforms written into the laws, and full citizenship for women nearer than she herself realized.

At the time she began her work, laws made the husband and father literally lord and master. The husband owned all the property, even to the clothes his wife wore and the money she made by her own toil. A mother could not serve as guardian of her children. A wife could be left penniless by her husband's will.

Taboos forbade women taking part in public affairs. "Females," as they were called, were shut out from all professions except music and teaching, forbidden any but elementary education. Sermons were preached from the text, "Ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands."

Women were not allowed to speak in public—not even teachers at their own conventions. At a New York State teachers' meeting in 1850, Miss Anthony outraged the chairman by asking to speak. Only after an hour's hot debate did her male colleagues vote to hear her.

Susan's love for freedom was drawn from her Quaker home life. She was born at Adams, Mass., Feb. 15, 1820. There were 11 children. Her father, Daniel Anthony, ran a spinning mill for a time, lost everything in the depression of 1837 and moved to a farm near Rochester, N. Y. Daniel, like all Friends, believed that "there is no sex in souls." Quakers



Susan B. Anthony Memorial Committee, Middletown, N. J.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS CRUSADER AT THE CLOSE OF THE CIVIL WAR

gave mothers an equal place with fathers in the home.

Daniel was considered radical among the Quakers, for he encouraged his girls to sing at their spinning wheels. He even permitted them to dance, for which he was read out of meeting. "Thee should follow thy own head," Daniel told Susan, and that bit of advice did much to shape the character of the lass who more than any other person was to point women up the steep road toward equal citizenship with men.

After meeting Mrs. Stanton, Susan Anthony left her teaching and gave all her time to writing articles and planning meetings. "Votes for women" had been Mrs. Stanton's battle cry. She thought of herself as carrying a lighted lamp, with truth its rays of light. Susan brought her associates to realize that the right to vote was only part, the keystone, of the general emancipation from restrictions placed upon women. Boldly she announced a sweeping program: Women had all the duties of citizenship; they had to obey the laws and pay taxes, therefore should have all the rights of citizenship. They should be given the right to own property, to make contracts, to sue, to have guardianship of their children. To guard all these rights, they should vote. She tramped from door to door to drum up interest in her program; but often even the women would greet her with some such remark as: "I'm glad I have a husband to look after me!"

In 1853 Susan Anthony presented to the New York Assembly the first petitions on women's rights ever to be given a legislature. She heard an angry senator denounce her as a menace to society and declare that women had not the intelligence to understand civic affairs. James Gordon Bennett, editor of the New York Herald, loosed a vitriolic attack upon what he called "hybrid creatures masquerading as women," with editorials such as this:

"How did woman first become subject to man, as she now is all over the world? By her nature, her sex, she is and always will be inferior and therefore doomed to subjection. But she is happier than she would be in any other condition, just because it is the law of her nature."

Undaunted, Susan traveled constantly, speaking often to audiences that shouted

her down. In one year, 1854, this crinoline-clad whirlwind visited 54 of the 60 counties of New York, organized women's rights clubs in most of them, and spoke in 20 states besides, pleading, persuading, gaining an eloquence that rose triumphant over the insults.

Susan Anthony dressed attractively, usually in gray skirts with blue decorations. Her smooth, oval face seemed to light up as she spoke, while her sparkling brown eyes flashed with the fire of her message. She had wavy blonde hair parted in the middle, and a firm mouth that broke easily into a smile. Many who came to her meetings to heckle remained silent through an hour-long speech, listening intently to the pleasant, forceful voice, carried along by the logic and appeal of her words.

Proposals of marriage came to her by the dozen, mainly from publicity seekers. Susan longed for a home, but she put her crusade first. A wealthy Buffalo bachelor furnished a sleigh for several weeks of winter travel, with a hot brick at her feet. When neither his ardor nor the hot brick won a promise of marriage, he left her one day by the roadside in a snowdrift. Susan walked back to her host's home and with amusement told her story. She took things like that in her stride.

With bundles of petitions bearing thousands of names, Miss Anthony and Mrs. Stanton appeared before the New York Assembly in 1857. Members announced that the question of women's rights would be given a full report. Encouraged to believe that some legislation would be recommended, Susan invited several of her coworkers to be present. But her quick eye detected an exchange of amused glances among Assembly leaders when the subject was called. A ribald and farcical report was read, declaring that women already had their rights, "since they choose the side of the bed on which to sleep, have the choicest tid-bits to eat, and because of their skirts they are allowed more room than men." With burning cheeks Susan heard the laughter of the legislators.

Many of her friends urged her to give up the fight as hopeless. Her answer was to schedule a meeting in Troy in which

she said: "Nothing is hopeless that is right."

She began gathering more petitions, through heat and cold, in dust or mud. Three years later, she again sat in the Assembly gallery, and heard the vote which passed a law to allow married women to control their own property—the first legislative victory of their long crusade.

Shrewdly she tied her cause to other current reforms. She believed strongly in temperance and the abolition of slavery. In her stirring temperance addresses, she argued that women should have protection from excessive drinking as a step toward other freedoms. She also mentioned the fact that P. T. Barnum was a teetotaler. In return, the great showman made discreet references to women's rights. Anti-slavery rallies welcomed Susan and others of the women's movement.

Depending entirely upon gifts of friends and the collections taken at her meetings, Susan had boundless faith that if she did her part, Providence would supply the rest.

Early in 1860 the light-bearer carried her campaign into New York City. This was to be her first big meeting in the metropolis. Wendell Phillips, Lucretia Mott, and others were announced as speakers. With such an array of noted backers, Susan hoped for newspaper publicity to draw a large crowd. She needed a big collection to repay her for the expenses of the meeting and she hoped that there would be enough left for months of work.

There was publicity aplenty—most of it caustic. Susan found the hall packed to the last seat. But joy turned to anxiety. There were those well-known signs of hostility. Ruffians loitered about the entrance, jeering and shouting. Susan sent a friend to appeal to the police. She was told that few policemen could be found, and that those near by grinned, turned their backs and walked away.

The meeting began. The crowd of rowdies swelled to a mob. Standing in the back and in the aisles, they heckled the speakers. Susan appealed to them to be quiet. They began heckling in chorus. Men in the audience tried to force them back. Fist fights broke out, and soon the hall was in an uproar. Women fainted as men pummeled one another. The audience, realizing there would be no protection from New York's stalwart officers, went home.

Susan sat in her room next day, without money enough to pay her hotel bill or get back to Rochester. If anyone had cause to be utterly discouraged, it was the leader of the women's rights movement at that moment. She dressed in her best and arranged her hair neatly—as she always did when discouragement loomed—and sat in meditation, reading her Bible. There was a knock on the door. It was Wendell Phillips.

"A friend has just given me \$1,500 for your use, with \$3,500 more to come," he said. The lamp still shone.

The Civil War began, and Susan Anthony found her crusade trampled beneath the feet of marching armies. She continued her speaking trips until hostility gave way to apathy. Then she went to work on the farm of a brother in Kansas. Hosing in the fields, gathering eggs, milking cows, Susan planned a fresh attack. To those who wrote discouraging letters she answered that a grand opportunity was at hand. The war would free the slaves. Surely the emancipation of women would follow.

The Negro was given citizenship by the 14th Amendment, and Susan launched her campaign to have women declared citizens too. During the five years following the war she traveled over all the Northern states, out to the Pacific Coast and even into several of the states of the sullen South.

Republican politicians drew up the 15th Amendment, allowing citizens to vote regardless of race or color, spurning her plea to include the word "sex." The very men who welcomed her aid in the

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Especially David

By Arthur Youngman



HOMESTEAD AND VEGETATION NEAR ST. CROIX, VIRGIN ISLANDS

THERE'S A UNITED STATES BASE in the Virgin Islands, and ever since the first batch of boys arrived we've watched them come and go. Fine boys they are—upstanding, clean cut, and with a look of business about them. Some of them we've got to know personally, and we've liked them a lot. Especially David.

But before I tell you about David, I'd like to tell you something about our island, for in so many ways it's like all the other West Indies.

To begin with, it's small. It is rimmed with white beaches and rocky headlands. Tall palms dot the countryside and outline the roads which separate and link the various estates. Cattle and sugar are among our principal products.

There are two small towns. The rest of the people live on the estates, either in the "great houses" or in the "Negro villages." Everybody knows or knows of everybody else.

The color scheme ranges from white to black and includes most of the intermediate shades. And each shade is criss-crossed by innumerable lines of cleavage caused by money or family or occupation. Representatives of all the groups attend the balls at Government House and one or the other of our churches. But all other social functions are pretty much limited to the members of one or the other of the many little groups.

We have little to offer in the way of planned amusements. Only white folks can join either or both of the country clubs. And so far as the Army is concerned the term "white folks" is narrowed down to commissioned officers. Our two movie houses are open three or four times a week; but most of the pictures they show are a year older than those shown at the base. There is one institution that passes locally for a night club. But it is more like a juke box restaurant with a local orchestra in attendance on Thursday and Sunday nights. For the rest, there are occasional public dances to which soldiers are admitted. And that's about all.

Transportation is a real problem. There are a few buses which operate on irregular schedules. Anyone who doesn't own a car or who cannot squeeze into one of the buses must either walk or wait patiently for some kind driver to give him a lift.

That's our island. It's small town. It's insular. There's little planned recreation, and what there is, is planned with the local folks in mind. But it's a won-

David. Characteristically, the first time he came into my office he was full of a project. The enlisted men's clubroom at the base—or the Day Room, as it is called—looked like a barn. Why couldn't it be fixed up attractively? Comfortable furniture. Bright cretonnes. Reading lamps. A real place for the boys to read, write letters, and rest any time of the day or night.

As David outlined the project his eyes sparkled through his gold-rimmed glasses. His sentences came in short, quick fragments. His enthusiasm was so infectious I knew the Day Room would be done over.

And it was. David made the bookcases himself out of odds and ends of lumber that he begged or borrowed. He converted two GI cots into comfortable divans by doubling up two extra mattresses lengthwise, sewing up the ends and using them for backrests. Then he painted the reading table, the writing desks, and bookcases a rich maroon with a gray trim. And finally he inveigled the women of the local hospital guild into cutting and sewing slips for the couches and chairs and curtains for the windows.

Most of us when we first come to the island are fascinated by the sea shells. Some of them are like gaily colored jewels—pink, green, amethyst, scarlet, and yellow. Others are pure white and almost translucent. David, too, was fascinated by them.

The white ones he strung on braided green parachute cord. From the others he fashioned a jewel casket. The outside was studded with the gayest of the shells; the inside was lined with a piece of velvet begged from one of the officers' wives. With the box went a note.

"Dear Mom," it read. "After the war is over, I'll get you the emeralds that go with this."

Someone suggested that it might be fun to buy a horse. So David bought Lady Evelyn and thus opened up for himself a host of new and exciting experiences—trips to the beaches, moonlight rides, excursions to parts of the island a car could never reach—and the races.

On one of his rides a friendly native pointed out to him the site of a former Indian village and explained that long before the white man or the Negro arrived in these parts the Red Man had made his home in the islands. Evidences of this

Indian occupation are found in pieces of dull red pottery, crude stone implements and occasional polished stone beads.

David seized on this new idea eagerly and spent several afternoons digging. Today he has a first-rate collection of Indian relics.

Somewhere David saw advertised a competition calling for the best one-act play written by an enlisted man about some phase of army life. David had never written a play before, but thought there couldn't be any harm in trying. His entry didn't win first prize; but it was one of those selected to be played in the various Army camps throughout the country.

A sergeant wanted a portrait of himself to send to his girl. In spite of the fact that his previous training and experience had been limited to producing plates for his course in landscape architecture, David volunteered for the job. The result so completely satisfied the sergeant that David began to do a series of heads. His most recent enthusiasm, however, came from the discovery of a pile of discarded cement floor tiles. He surfaces the tiles and covers them with scenes from the near-by estates.

Personally, I think David's greatest hobby is his interest in people. He likes everyone. He expects everyone to like him. And he is rarely disappointed.

Someone told him that the Administrator's daughter was a clever portraitist. Armed with one of his own efforts, David presented himself to "Miss Helen" and asked for a criticism. Since then the doors of Government House have always swung open to David.

Similarly he heard about Eric and Fritz, who like to plan moonlight rides for their friends; Mrs. Hark, who has an unusually fine collection of Indian relics, and a host of others. To each one David made friendly overtures, and each returned them in friendly fashion.

Last week he called again at the office. "Well, how about it?" I asked. "Still like our island?"

David threw himself into a chair and grinned. "Like it? You bet I do. Why, honestly, the days aren't long enough for me to do half the things I'd like to do. Say, by the way, you know the chaplain holds his services in the library. Now, last Sunday the thought came to me, why couldn't we fix up part of one of the barracks like a chapel? We could—" and he was off on another project.



FOLIAGE OF THE TAMARIND TREE MAKES NATURAL FRAME FOR VIEW OF WESTERN END OF ST. THOMAS

Department of Interior Photo, Washington

YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT the manpower shortage.

The usual explanation is that there is too much work and too few people to do it.

But suppose, right now, you could lay your hands on 50 workers, or 50,000 workers, or any number you needed, who measured up to these qualifications:

1. They stay on the job. Absenteeism is practically nonexistent. Their punctuality, loyalty to their job, and turnover records are better than those of any other group.

2. They have fewer accidents. Their carefulness, alertness, and orderliness are characteristic.

3. They produce. Employers find them superior workmen.

4. They expect no favors. A fair chance is all they ask.

You might be tempted to think that these are fictitious qualifications, that this manpower reserve must be a mirage or it would already be tapped to the bottom of the barrel.

The startling truth is that there are nearly 3,000,000 such workers—productive, capable—not yet employed in war jobs still urgently crying out for hands to turn the wheels.

At first glance the world would say that these are physically handicapped men and women. But they do not count themselves handicapped. They do not do handicapped work. They do not handicap their employers.

Most of them are capable of doing difficult, complicated tasks skillfully and unflinching. They are capable of proving that their apparent physical impairments are irrelevant. They are capable of proving that they can turn their handicaps into assets—to themselves and to the war industries of the nation.

How capable? Recently the United States Office of Education asked more than 100 employers, most of them executives of large corporations engaged in the

be the same in both groups, and only two found it to be higher among the handicapped.

Productivity—Out of 105 employers, 25 found productivity to be higher among the handicapped, 69 found output to be lower among the physically handicapped workers.

This means that there is an untapped manpower reservoir of between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 so-called physically handicapped workers whose capacity to do all manner of industrial and clerical jobs is proved in actual experience to be on the average better and almost invariably as good as that of able-bodied men and women. This proves that such physically handicapped workers are relatively not physically handicapped at all in their faculties and their functions, and that there are unlimited opportunities to use them in work where their apparent handicaps are irrelevant.

The opportunities are much wider than one might suppose at first thought. The United States Civil Service Commission reports that physically handicapped workers have been placed in positions ranging from clerical to unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled positions in heavy Government industries. It is illuminating to look at a few examples:

A large number of blind persons are employed at air fields.

An armless telephone switchboard operator works at a large Government hospital.

A footless truck driver serves at an army air base.

A one-armed auto mechanic (tire

“Handicapped” Manpower

By Roscoe Drummond



U. S. Civil Service Commission Photo, Washington

This Man (Kneeling) Is an Airplane Mechanic in Government Air Depot, Although He Lost an Arm at Early Age. Left: Girl Works With Unbelievable Speed Sorting Bolts and Nuts at Army Air Depot Entirely Unhindered by Blindness



manufacture of war materials, to submit reports showing how their physically handicapped workers compared with their able-bodied workers. The survey dealt with four vital ingredients of wartime—and peacetime—production and the findings were as follows:

Absenteeism—Of the 97 employers who reported on this subject, 53 found it to be less for the handicapped workers, 39 found it to be the same in both groups, and only 5 found more absenteeism among the handicapped.

Labor Turnover—Of the 76 employers who reported, 63 found the turnover rate to be lower among the handicapped, 12 found it to be the same in both groups, and only one found it to be higher among the handicapped.

Accident Rate—Of the 87 who reported on accident rate, 49 found it to be lower among the handicapped, 36 found it to

changer) is employed in the motor pool in the Quartermaster Department at a Port of Embarkation.

Another physically handicapped worker fashions parts for the smallest radios in the world, used in broadcasting weather conditions from a tiny balloon for Army and Navy fliers.

A blind girl at an Army Air Depot sorts bolts and nuts by touch. She works with unbelievable speed.

A blind radio technician is known as the only man who can repair airplane radios without removing them from the plane. He doesn't need to remove the radios, because he doesn't need to “see” them to do his work.

One of the most skillful at one of the Army's airplane instrument repair shops is a woman who has been deaf and dumb since early childhood. She has proved herself signally adept in disassembling and painting gyro instruments used in blind flying.

No wonder the Government's Co-ordinating Committee for Placement of the Physically Handicapped in the Federal Service says: “Herein lies one of our best chances of compensating for wartime manpower shortages.”

No wonder Paul V. McNutt, Chairman of the War Manpower Commission, warns: “We cannot afford to overlook the rich and varied potentialities of the 3,000,000 Americans who happen to be physically handicapped.”

Since the Government is still able to place only 1,000 physically handicapped workers a month, this sizable manpower reserve is available to relieve both war industries and civilian-goods industries as soon as more employers realize what is at hand—what they are missing.

To the question as to whether the physically handicapped have to be given special treatment in their jobs, the Civil Service Commission gives an emphatic no.

“In order to get the maximum use of the skills of a handicapped worker,” it says, “you would, in placing him, consider exactly the same qualifications you would consider in placing anyone else. Consider his capacities in relation to the assignment. He is to be thought of as an efficient worker, not as a ‘problem’ nor as a ‘special.’”

Dr. Verne K. Harvey, medical director of the Civil Service Commission, reports that the frequency rate of accidents is considerably lower for physically handicapped workers than for the able-bodied. The physically handicapped had fewer absences per hundred employees, fewer days lost per absence and fewer days lost per employee.

The records show that physically handicapped people, who are intelligently placed in suitable jobs, are the safest workers in the world. Even in the case of the totally blind who have been employed in industry for the past 40 years

there has not yet been a major compensable accident in any of the many plants and factories in which they are working. The reason given is that the physically handicapped are more careful to obey safety regulations.

“At a time when our country needs all the services of all the people,” Dr. Harvey declares, “physically handicapped persons must be considered qualified for employment because of their abilities, not disqualified because of their disabilities.”

The Civil Service Commission gives this advice on determining the jobs which can be suitably filled by handicapped persons:

“While we use the same methods in placing the disabled and the able-bodied, a greater understanding is needed as to the exact physical requirements of a job to which a disabled worker is to be assigned.

“Very few jobs require all the abilities and faculties of a worker. Therefore, a job survey does not consist in separating jobs according to whether they may or may not be filled by handicapped workers. Rather, it consists in studying the physical activities required by each job, such as walking, climbing, bending, reaching, lifting, carrying, talking, hearing, seeing, etc., together with a study of working conditions of the job, such as lighting, noise, ventilation, dampness, mechanical hazards, temperature. . . .

“When we know the physical activities and working conditions required by the job, we can match the applicant to the job by evaluating his physical capacities to perform the duties of the job. We select the applicant whose physical impairments are irrelevant in so far as the physical requirements of the job are concerned.

“A handicap can be turned into an asset by intelligent placement. In some jobs, workers are often superior because they are handicapped.”



ENGLISH CASTLE COPIED FROM DINNER DISH

Artist in Wood

INP Photos by George Woodruff

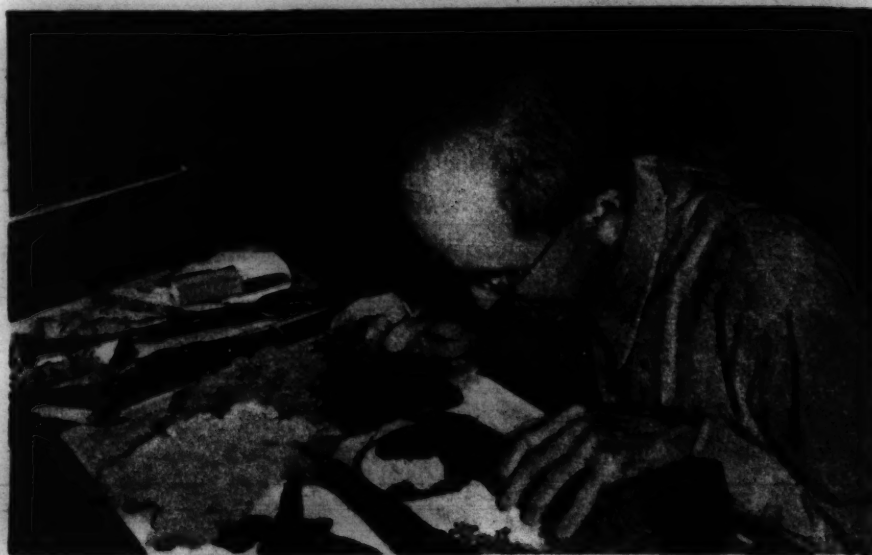
THE PATIENCE OF JOE is exemplified by John Wacha of Providence, R. I. One needs only to see one of his wood "paintings" to realize how much of that quality is needed to assemble hundreds of tiny pieces of wood to complete a picture, not to mention the capacity to select the right kind of wood and the correct color. There are over 70 different kinds of wood to select from and they come from all corners of the globe.

Mr. Wacha buys the wood ready sliced to a minute thinness, and with fine-edged knife or thin saw he fashions the desired shapes and fits them expertly together. Some are such tiny slivers he has to use jeweler's tweezers to handle them. In one of his pictures, small flowers less than a half inch in diameter are made up of some 20 little pieces. Each piece is held in

place by gummed paper. When the picture is completed, it is entirely covered with this binder-paper, which in the finishing process must be carefully sandpapered until not a trace of it remains. The assembled picture is then mounted on plywood and pressed for at least 36 hours before it is shellacked and waxed and is ready to be framed.

Born in Prague, Bohemia, Mr. Wacha spent his youth in Vienna and from there came to Providence in 1902. He was a jewelry designer by profession, but since his retirement has acquired various hobbies, among which "wood painting" is his favorite.

The accompanying photographs show John Wacha at work and some of his remarkable "paintings" in wood.



FITTING CUTOUTS TOGETHER ON GUMMED PAPER



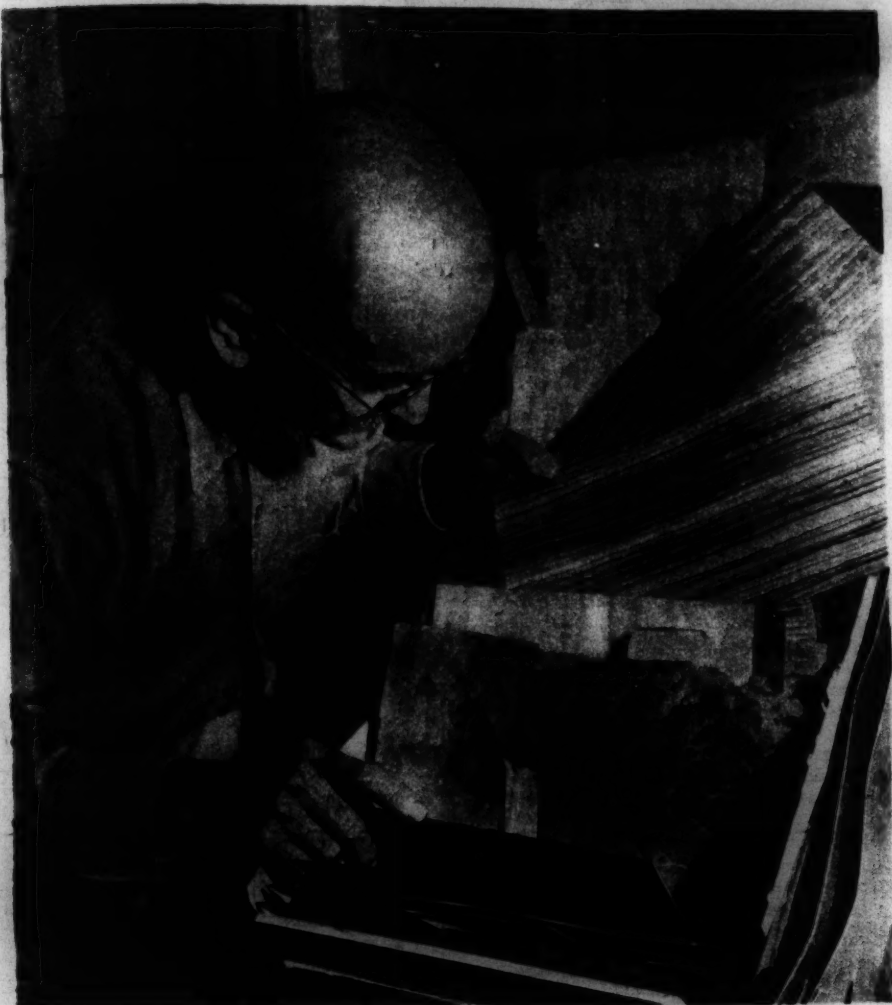
"WOOD PAINTING" FORMS COVER OF JEWEL CASE



MR. WACHA DEFTLY CUTS THIN SHEET OF WOOD



RURAL LANDSCAPE EVEN HAS DUCKS IN THE STREAM



MR. WACHA USES OVER 70 KINDS OF WOOD



ARTIST HOLDS WOOD VERSION OF FAMOUS BLUE BOAR INN



INSERTING A HIGHLIGHT



TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE—FIVE-YEAR-OLD GRANDSON IS AMONG MR. WACHA'S MOST ARDENT ADMIRERS

Among the New Books

Dictionary of Dunces Garnishes Pope Volume—A London Letter

The Dunciad, by Alexander Pope, edited by James Sutherland. London: Methuen, 39s.

LONDON

LATEST VOLUME in Messrs. Methuen's magnificent edition of the poems of Alexander Pope is "The Dunciad," edited by James Sutherland. It fully maintains, and even enhances, the reputation gained by its predecessors. Pope's text is accompanied by a vast apparatus of notes, in every one of which is enshrined some valuable and often entertaining information, so that to run one's eye down the lower half of any page is to embark on a fascinating exploration of the literary garrets of the eighteenth century, to plunge into ancient vivacious quarrels, to pick up odds and ends of curious classical learning, and strange tricks of dress and peculiar habits of speech.

Nor is this all. To the two long versions of "The Dunciad" which he prints, and the armory of prefaces that precedes them, Mr. Sutherland adds a dictionary of dunces, which he calls a Biographical Appendix. Here are gathered together such facts, judgments, and observations about the people mentioned by Pope as have been crowded out of the notes, which, lavish and spacious as they are, yet have their limits. This Appendix is the overflow of a full mind, the coping stone of a remarkable building.

There are things in Pope which are as familiar as anything in

Shakespeare. "To be or not to be" is not better known than "Hope springs eternal in the human breast," and "The last and greatest art—the art to blot." Such matters, however, are not in "The Dunciad," whose contribution to

the common store of quotations is only in the second rank of familiarity. Even so, it contains such lines as

Or where the pictures for the page alone,
And Quarles is saved by beauties not his own;

and

May you, my Cam and Iain, preach it long,
The Right Divine of Kings to govern wrong.

which all Cambridge men read with a modest wonder that their

Liberal university should be politically coupled with the ancient and Tory mother-university of Oxford.

"The Dunciad" is perhaps the most wounding poem in the English language. Pope spares neither age, sex, religion, nor morals. Bound by the rigid structure of his elaborate verse, he knows no limitations in the range of taste, but varies from the most polite and polished rhymes to a coarseness unbelievable in our more reticent times. It is true that, before he wrote this bitter satire on the literary men of his day, he had been grievously provoked.

"He had been attacked for being a papist, for being deformed, for being a Tory, for daring to translate Homer, for presuming to meddle with Shakespeare merely to make money, for blasphemy and obscenity, for ingratitude and dishonesty, and disaffection to the government of his country." John Dennis described him as "obscure . . . ambiguous . . . affected . . . temerarious . . . barbarous." Mist's Journal accused him of traducing the memory of his friend Addison. Nor were his enemies satisfied only to attack his moral character. James Moore Smith said that in one of his volumes there were five good lines, and these had been copied.

In "The Dunciad" Pope had his revenge. "This poem," he said, "will rid me of these insects." But, as the editor remarks, it has preserved them like flies in Pope's amber. And, like flies, they proved troublesome. "On the Day the Book was first vended, a Crowd of Authors besieg'd the Shop; Entreaties, Advices, Threats of Law, and Battery, nay cries of Treason were all employ'd to hinder the coming out of the 'Dunciad.' On the other Side, the Booksellers and Hawkers made as great efforts to procure it." But Pope was not to be intimidated. In spite of threats, he continued to walk out alone, though for some time he carried pistols with him.

Most of the people he ridiculed were ridiculous. But now and again private spleen or gross misjudgment caused him to include in his gallery of dunces men of the highest abilities. Such a one was Bentley, of whose editing of Milton and classical researches he wrote:

Thy mighty Scholiast, whose unweary'd
pains
Made Horace dull, and humbled Milton's
strains.
Turn what they will to Verse, their toil
is vain,
Critics like me shall make it Prose again.
Roman and Greek Grammarians! know
your Better:
Author of something yet more great
than Letter;
While tow'ring o'er your Alphabet, like
Saul,
Stands our Digamma, and o'er-tops them
all.
'Tis true, on Words is still our whole
debate.
Disputes of Me or Te, of aut or at,
To sound or sink in tano, O or A,
Or give up Cicero to C or K.

This is how Pope treats Bentley, the most profound scholar that ever came out of Cambridge, whom Housman, himself as learned as Porson, considered the topmost pinnacle of classical erudition. But Pope was not a man to let a mere matter of justice interfere with a biting verse.

HAROLD HOBSON

Additional book reviews appear regularly on the Editorial Page of THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR.

Fighting Ships Reviewed in Print

Jane's Fighting Ships, 1942, edited by Francis E. McMurtrie. New York: Macmillan, \$15.

THE FORTY-SIXTH EDITION of Jane has made its appearance, having been printed in the United States, as was the last previous issue. Owing to restrictions imposed by war conditions, this one is designated as the 1942 edition, although it is dated June, 1943. In order to regain an even keel, Jane, after the war, will have to bring out two editions during one calendar year, or else hyphenate two years into one issue.

The present issue follows the general form of the past several years, and is of practically the same size as the 1941 edition. Gathering the information necessary for the compilation of a work of this character under the conditions imposed by today's worldwide war entails many handicaps. With both the Allies and their enemies withholding information for strategic reasons, it is surprising how much authentic information has been obtained for publication, especially photographs of newly completed ships. The editor says that despite the difficulty of obtaining reliable information, the amount of fresh material incorporated in the present edition is greater than in any other issue published since 1939.

This edition carries what amounts to a dedication to the doughty British cruiser Exeter, one of the trio of ships that subdued the pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee so handily that the other ships of this overrated class have since refrained from venturing far from port. The Exeter later went down in the Java Sea under the guns of a greatly superior Japanese force.

As has been customary for many years, a separate section is provided for each navy, prefaced with explanatory notes concerning uniforms, personnel, designations of rank, ordnance data, and other details.

Then follows as complete a description as can be obtained of every pertinent naval unit involved. Photographs are provided in most cases, as well as all available information concerning displacement, dimensions, armor, armament, machinery, speed, when and where built, complement, and

other relevant particulars. Sketch plans show the locations of armor and armament.

Fronting the British section are diagrams showing the principal features of H. M. S. King George V and a modern destroyer. The accompanying keys provide indexes which designate salient features. A tabulation of existing British ships shows the number of times a name has been borne and when it first came into use. Among the most frequently used names is Swan, which has been carried by 24 ships since the first Swan was so designated in 1420.

One of the oldest ships, if not the oldest, appearing in this book is Chile's Huascar, which was built in 1865 and captured from Peru in 1879.

Some idea of the trend in air

defense measures can be gathered from the statement that the machine-gun battery of the U. S. S. Saratoga, an aircraft carrier, has been increased from the original eight guns to over 100. This number, too, is probably an underestimate.

One section of the book is devoted to a tabulation of all man-of-war known to have been lost either by accident or through enemy action. This listing is carried up to May, 1943, describes the ships by name and type, and gives the known details connected with the losses. As might be expected, the list is long.

The usefulness of this book could be increased by adding a section containing a list of all known new construction in progress, with estimated dates of completion.

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Gospels Made Into Biography

The One Story: The Life of Christ, arranged from The Four Gospels by Manuel Komroff. New York: Dutton, \$2.50.

IT IS RECORDED that shortly before his passing, Sir Walter Scott whispered to his friend and biographer, John Gibson Lockhart, "Read to me from the Book." Somewhat puzzled, Lockhart inquired, "Which book?" whereupon there came the swift response, "Need you ask? there is but One." The One Book which the great novelist had in mind was, of course, the Bible.

In the volume now under consideration, another noted novelist, Manuel Komroff, shows how deeply impressed he has been by the One Book; indeed, he has selected from it its central portion, the record of the life and work of Christ Jesus, which he aptly terms "The One Story." That Mr. Komroff has long had an abiding interest in the Bible, and particularly in the Gospels, is evidenced by the subject matter of several of his books, notably "In the Years of Our Lord," a vivid and indeed enthralling historical novel dealing with the period of the Master's ministry, a novel which we reviewed in these columns. (Weekly Magazine Section, May 29, 1942.)

In distinction from "In the Years of Our Lord," "The One Story" is not a novel, but simply a careful selection from the arrangement of the very words of our familiar Authorized Version. Hence its novelty lies not in its content, but rather in its form.

Mr. Komroff's work has certain distinct and obvious advantages. Too many readers of the Gospels are inclined to view them as composed of a multitude of separate incidents and statements, either forgetting, or failing to realize, that there is a definite sense of continuity and unfoldment in the record and that its parts are portions of one harmonious whole. In

short, the fact that there are four brief biographical sketches of Jesus's life which we call Gospels often diverts the student's attention from the unity and continuity of that life. Mr. Komroff goes far toward remedying this mistaken approach, presenting a connected narrative of the Master's career by piecing together portions from the Gospels.

As is well known, there are many instances in which two, three, or even all four gospels report the same incident. Bearing this in mind, Mr. Komroff has selected "the best and fullest account of each event . . . without the change of a single word." These events are set forth in logical order under such chapter headings as Birth and Boyhood, Manhood and Ministry; and both arrangements and print are excellent.

However, "The One Story" is subject to the criticism which must needs be faced by any such selection of parts of the Gospels, however skillfully made. A number of significant and familiar phrases and passages are left out, because of their similarity to others which are included. For example, the Johannine account of Jesus's walking on the water (John 6:15-21), which tells of the distance of the boat from shore, and of how it "immediately" reached land, when the disciples "willingly received him," is omitted. Despite this limitation, which, in the circumstances, is perhaps unavoidable, Mr. Komroff's presentation of "The One Story" merits high praise.

T. L. L.

Newest venture of the Modern Library is into the field of illustrated books, each boxed, to sell at \$1.50. The first five are ready. Five more will be published on March 25, and a third set of five on June 25. Those now available are the King James Version of the Bible, illustrated by Fritz Kredel; "The Brothers Karamazov," illustrated by William Sharp; "The Wisdom of Confucius," edited by Lin Yutang, illustrated by Jeanyee Wong; "The Pickwick Papers," illustrated by Donald McKay, and "The History of Tom Jones," illustrated by Warren Chappell.

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A Shelf of Books on the Problems of the Far East

Battle Hymn of China, by Agnes Smedley. New York: Knopf, \$2.50.
A Short History of Chinese Civilization, by Tsui Chi. New York: Putnam, \$4.
The Chiangs of China, by Elmer T. Clark. New York: Abingdon-Cokesbury, \$1.
My Life in China, 1926-1941, by Hallett Abend. New York: Harcourt Brace, \$3.
Asia Unbound, by Sydney Greenble. New York: Appleton-Century, \$3.
Free China's New Deal, by Hubert Freyn. New York: Macmillan, \$2.50.
China's Struggle for Railroad Development, by Chang Kia-ngau. New York: John Day, \$5.
Japan Fights for Asia, by John Goette. New York: Harcourt Brace, \$2.50.

AGNES SMEDLEY's new book on China is angry and bitter. Not for her the impartial, detached view. She is violently partisan. During her 12 years in China her heart has been seared by the cruelty and the suffering she has witnessed, and even experienced. For she has spent much of her time among the poorest peasants, and has passed months with the troops at the front.

Her bitterness is directed against the exploiters of China, whether Japanese, Western, or Chinese. She blames Japan for her aggression, British, French, and American businessmen for their greed, and Chinese industrialists and officials no less for their selfishness and indifference.

Miss Smedley is "coolly polite about Chiang Kai-shek, but warmly denunciatory of some of the elements of his government. Her faith is in the Chinese people, and particularly in those in the territories controlled by the Communist-led Eighth and Fourth Route armies, where she declares she found more real democracy than elsewhere in the country.

In this connection it is interesting to note the testimony of Tsui Chi, author of "A Short History of Chinese Civilization." Miss Smedley, though not a member of the Communist Party, is clearly a fellow-traveler. Tsui Chi is not, and yet he writes in connection with the Sian Incident, when Chiang Kai-shek was kidnapped by the Young Marshal, Chang Hsueh-liang, that the Young Marshal's followers, who had been sent out to exterminate the Communists, found that the Reds "were not the murderous bandits they had been led to believe, but people with a sane, intelligent outlook, who appeared to put the interests of China before personal conquests."

Mr. Tsui has done an extraordinary job in compressing the long history of China from prehistoric days to the present into a book of less than 400 pages, including three appendixes and an index.

The Sian Incident is again referred to in Mr. Clark's "The Chiangs of China," a sympathetic biography by the editorial secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church. After telling of Mme. Chiang's Christian education and of her husband's conversion, he quotes the Generalissimo's words:

"I have been a Christian for nearly 10 years and during that time I have been a constant reader of the Bible. Never before has this sacred book been so interesting to me as during my two weeks' captivity in Sian. . . I found myself placed under detention without having a single earthly belonging. From my captors I asked but one thing, a copy of the Bible. In my solitude I had ample opportunity for reading and meditation. The greatness and love of Christ burst upon me with new inspiration, increasing my strength to struggle against evil, to overcome temptation and to uphold righteousness. . . ."

"Following the settlement of the Sian affair, the rebels, knowing their unwise and treasonable actions, were naturally afraid. Remembering that Christ enjoined us to forgive those who sin against

us until 70 times seven, and upon their repentance, I felt that they should be allowed to start life anew! At the same time I was greatly humbled that my own faith had not been of such quality as to influence my followers and to restrain them."

Mr. Abend spent 15 years in the Far East, most of the time as correspondent of the New York Times. The greater part of his book deals with his private wars with the Chinese and the Japanese Governments, both of which at various times tried to expel him. This record of his newspaper career is interesting and sometimes thrilling reading, but the more important part of the book is the final section, in which Mr. Abend records the sorry story of the events leading up to the war, and outlines the complexities of the after-war settlement in the Far East. These pages are illuminating and stimulating.

"Asia Unbound" is a serious, well-informed and well-organized study of "a Pattern for Freedom in the Far East." Mr. Greenble, author of many books and some-time correspondent for various publications, including this newspaper, has an objective eye and a cool style. He, too, has a concluding chapter in which he outlines the problems that will face us in

that part of the world after victory. Somewhat more hopeful than Mr. Abend, he declares that we "have a right, we have a solemn duty, to see to it that the lands we fight to free shall never again be

put under the lash of evil and of error."

Mr. Freyn gives us an economist's study of China's natural resources and industrial development. It is a useful and scholarly

book, designed more for specialists than for the general reader. Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, one-time Minister of Railways and Minister of Communications in the Chinese Government, performs a similar service for China's railways.

Mr. Goette has lived for 20 years in the Far East, five of them as representative of International News Service with the Japanese Army in China. His book contains individual observations of the Japanese operations, and warnings of the nature of the enemy.

L. A. S.

Report on the Aleutians

Bridge of Victory, by Howard Handleman. New York: Random House, \$3.

IN ITS ESSENCE, war is a personal affair — terribly, heroically personal sometimes. Howard Handleman, a capable press association reporter, saw and has reported the reconquest of the Aleutians in the same close-up, personal terms that he would use in reporting a spectacular court trial, a first night at the opera, a championship prize fight.

All the men within reach of his eye, as he went first to Attu and then to Kiska, were actors in the historic news drama he was present to record. All statements and remarks uttered by these men became the dialogue in his drama. "Get full name, rating, and home address," is part of the modern technique of war correspondence for some of the press associations. Almost no man or officer moves in the 270 pages of Handleman's history of the Aleutians campaign unless his name and the name of

his home town are given. Due to the rapid action of the movement of thousands of men, some moved into and out of his chronicle without being identified, but these were few.

The point this procedure raises is important: If another correspondent had been stationed at other points during the action, had seen and talked with other soldiers and other commanding officers, his history of the reconquest of the Aleutians would have been almost entirely different. Equally true; almost totally different.

The close-up, personal report of so vast an expedition makes interesting reading, to be sure, but it is much like holding a mirror up to a mob scene. The result is somewhat incoherent—a series of sounds and motions seemingly little related, arriving at the final effect of reconquest rather by chance than by design. The close-up reporter, engrossed always with photographic details, is bound to let some of the over-all and more important aspects of an important situation escape him.

"Bridge to Victory" is, as its publishers indicate, a "report," even a "Triple-A report." Still, just a report. It might have been more had the reporter not been tied so tightly to the process of getting names, names, names, for distribution over his press association wires to make more interesting daily news reading in the home towns mentioned. Even so, and because it is pungent and earthy, it doubtless will be a best-selling "report."

This reviewer again records his protest against obscenity, even indicated by dashes, written into otherwise sound books in the name of realism, and published by otherwise reputable publishers in the name of goodness knows what.

R. L. B.

The Book Window

Long, Long Ago, by Alexander Woolcott (Viking, \$2.75), is an anthology of the author's enthusiasm for books, neighbors, curiosities of thought and action, and whatever fits into the comic or the anecdotal frame. The writing belongs, fair to remark, to the sentimental and sensational school that traces down from Edgar Allan Poe. While the narrations read, of necessity, in the past tense and deal mostly with closed incidents, such as "classic" murder cases, much of the material instead of being of long ago is but of yesterday. Holding over in time, however, and even looking ahead, are certain diversions in criticism, such as one being a brilliant three-page study of Jane Austen.

and students of belles-lettres. Odd and captivating the three dozen studies all are. To mention examples—a biography of Richard Franck, contemporary of Walton, the Angler, by Charles E. Goodspeed; a sketch of John Solomon Rarey, the Great American Horse Tamer, by Robert W. Henderson, and an essay on Ephemeral Library Material, by Alexander J. Wall.

Twenty-five Short Stories by Stephen Vincent Benét (Garden City Publishing Company, \$1.49). Includes "The Devil and Daniel Webster," and contains William Rose Benét's "My Brother Steve" as an Introduction.

The Leaning Wind, by Clifford Gessler (Appleton Century, \$3), is a lively chronicle of the author's adventures as he skipped from island to island of the South Pacific in a stout Oriental craft called appropriately the Islander. The long voyage, made before the war, included among the ports of call such romantic islands as Tahiti, Pitcairn, Henderson, and Fanning.

Bookmen's Holiday, edited by Deoch Fulton; Notes and Studies in Tribute to Harry Miller Lydenberg (New York Public Library, \$5), a big book contributed to by many writers of the expert and the learned sort, is rich in out-of-the-rut information and opinion that must particularly interest librarians.



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Late in 1869, astounding news came from Wyoming. The first territorial legislature had met and granted women the right to vote. Susan had spoken at Cheyenne to an audience of prospectors and cowboys. Some of the legislators remembered her appealing speech, and approved of women's rights. Others voted for the bill as a joke, confident the Governor would pay no attention to it. The Governor signed the measure, congratulating the lawmakers that Wyoming

Susan's hair turned snowy white, but until the end she stood erect, spoke with the old fire and never missed a chance to extend the campaign. A great banquet was arranged in Washington in honor of her 70th birthday. Susan arrived an hour late. "I was talking to several Congressmen," she explained to her cheering admirers. By 1900, she had taken her crusade in person to every state and terri-

THE VALUE OF DOGS on the battlefield has been recognized for centuries. Even under the ruins of Babylon a relief was found depicting warriors with their canine auxiliaries. Dogs played an important rôle in World War I and are considered of still greater importance in the present



TRAINERS SPEAK GENTLY—THE DOGS OBEY

It is certain that if Susan Anthony were here today, she would be astonished at how completely her dreams have come true. But she would still be crusading, for progress was to her a path that had no end. Surely she would want women to accomplish one more big task of her hopes and dreams—to stand shoulder to shoulder with their men in replacing war with international co-operation and world peace. And surely she would urge them, as so often she urged her associates in the struggle for women's rights, never to be discouraged at how slowly progress is made. She would say: "There seems to be nothing to do but to press on."

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I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

It is a common mistake to speak of the pattern of the times as if it were something new, something of the moment. Actually the origin of that pattern may lie deep in the past, as in the case of freedom for women. One cannot read the story of Susan B. Anthony, which we print in this issue, without realizing the great debt the world owes to this torch-bearer of freedom, for the part she played in that struggle. Stanch, unwavering, resolute, she crusaded untiringly in the latter half of the nineteenth century in the cause of women's rights. No other woman in history, it is said, has spoken from more public platforms than she did.

Can you imagine what it is like to be stationed at a United States base on an island in the Caribbean Sea, remote from the stir and excitement of the city, thrown back upon yourself for diversion? Either of two things is likely to happen: you apply for a transfer, or you draw upon your own resources for entertainment. What did David do? It matters not who David was; it's what he did that counts. ARTHUR YOUNGMAN, who is a resident of the Virgin Islands, tells you just what David did, and thereby hangs a tale.

The idea of producing landscapes, seascapes, and figure pictures by making use of the wide variety of grain and natural color in wood is not new. It is an art which was in vogue several decades ago, and presumably, with war restrictions, still flourishes. It is carried on today in Rhode Island. The double-page illustrations show John Wach, an exponent of this art in Providence, at work in his studio.

DEREK PATMORE, who interviews for us Emir Feisal, Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia, served as correspondent for this paper in Turkey before he returned to London recently. He has a wide knowledge of the Middle East, based upon actual experience.

It is interesting to learn through ROSCOE DRUMMOND's article that the handicapped worker is not to be regarded by the Civil Service Commission as a "problem" or a "special" but as an efficient worker. "The records show," he says, "that physically handicapped people, who are intelligently placed in suitable jobs, are the safest workers in the world."

W. W. C.

Letters: "A Freezing Outfit in Every Home?"

Nov. 11, 1943
Editor, Weekly Magazine Section,
The Christian Science Monitor,
Boston, Massachusetts:

I read with interest your article in the Weekly Magazine

Section entitled "A Freezing Outfit in Every Home?"

I regret that one or two points made in this article are incorrect. I note that the author chooses to disregard one of the essential rules for freezing vegetables—that of scalding or pre-cooking them before they are frozen. In many experimental tests that we have carried on in our institution, we have found that the scalding procedure can never be omitted in vegetables. The author states that the reason for scalding is to prevent decay or botulism. This also is incorrect. Decay and botulism are prevented by below-freezing temperature. Scalding the vegetables will not prevent the development of botulism in frozen products subsequently thawed out and cooked. The reason for scalding is to inactivate or stop enzyme action. If not done and done properly, enzyme action causes off-flavors, off-color, and a very disagreeable product even in freezing storage.

Another point in the article made by Mrs. Taylor is that fruits are never put in syrup, just sprinkled with sugar. Peaches, apricots, and nectarines should always be packed in a rather heavy syrup. Berry fruits, on the other hand, can be packed in dry sugar but require more than a sprinkling of sugar to maintain good quality and flavor. Berry fruits require a 3-1 or 4-1 proportion of fruit to sugar, a rather high concentration, but not as high as used in canning and preserve-making.

The author further admits that she was unsuccessful in freezing eggs and that the yolks refused to unfreeze, etc. I might say that if she had followed the rules set up for freezing eggs in refrigerated locker plants or home freezers, she would not



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have had this difficulty. Frozen eggs require corn syrup, salt or sugar in low proportion in order to prevent gumminess in the frozen product.

The article has some fine points and makes interesting reading, but I regret, as I have said before, that some misinformation has been given.

H. H. PLAGGE,
Pomology Subsection
Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

freedom by recognizing this right in others.—CHARLES HARTSHORNE, University of Chicago.

Six Datelines

In one section of India is a newspaper that bears six different datelines for the six different calendars relied upon by the six different racial groups who subscribe to the publication.—EMERSON BREWER, Editor, World Calendar Association, Inc.

Incentives to Greatness

If we should ever lose in this country our right to believe that every young man has the chance to become President of the country someday, or to become the head of a big business organization, or to earn a million dollars, we lose something which has helped to make this country great.—HERMAN W. STEINKRAUS.

On the Beam

Never Commonplace

Every rehearsal is like a concert to me, and every concert like a debut.—ARTURO TOSCANINI.

Japanese Utopia

The Japanese solves his economic problems by pretending he doesn't have any.—HELEN MEARS.

Evolution of Travel

The history of transportation has been a continuing battle against monopoly controls.—HENRY A. WALLACE.

Plant Good Seed Only.

The roots from which economic disorders grow are the same roots from which wars spring.—MARGARET HICKEY.

Objectives Unlimited

The objectives of a nation are not marked by a dot in time; they are continuous and developing.—HAMILTON FISH ARMSTRONG.

Learning by Working

As in most of the difficult and complex things in life, nations will learn to work together only by actually working together.—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

One Foundation

If we are to build a civilization that will survive, there is only one foundation possible—and that is the Christian way of brotherhood.—FRANCIS B. SAYRE.

Intellectual Bankruptcy

Starvation in the midst of plenty is not a paradox. It is a declaration of moral and intellectual bankruptcy.—ARCHIBALD MACLEISH.

New Leadership Developing

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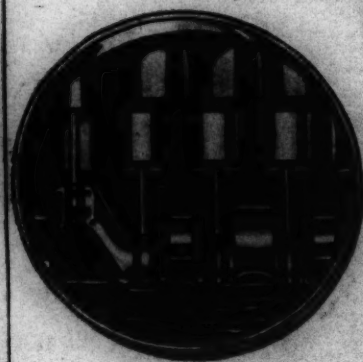
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